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HELL LET LOOSE IN HOLY CITY

JEWS SURRENDER IN OLD JERUSALEM

U. N. O. Delegation's Truce Mission Fails

NAVAL BLOCKADE OF PALESTINE: EGYPT WARNS POWERS

AMMAN, May 17, (U.P.A.): The Belgian Consul-General from Jerusalem, Jean Nieuwenhuys, today told the United Press of America Staff Correspondent, Sam Souki, that the Jews within the Old City of Jerusalem had surrendered to the Arabs.

HELL LET LOOSE

The Security Council delegation from Jerusalem today saw King Abdullah and Azzam Pasha, but it reached no conclusive results in their efforts to prevent further bloodshed and destruction in Jerusalem.

The truce delegation, failing in their effort to get Arab leaders to agree to a truce for Jerusalem, reported that the city was a scene of wild battle. They said that the Jews in the old city had surrounded to the Arab forces but that the Jews controlled most of the rest of the city which was under Arab shell fire.

They reported that irregulars under Arab commander Fawzi el-Kuwakji were shelling the Holy City from positions around it and they said that hell had broken loose inside it with the Jews and Arabs banging away at each other ever since the British left.

The delegation members were Belgian Consul-General Jean Nieuwenhuys, chairman of the truce Commission, and Pablo Ascarate, who is Trygve Lie's personal envoy in Palestine. They came to plead with Abdullah and Arab League Secretary General Azzam Pasha to agree to a truce for Jerusalem.

Snipers in Jerusalem shot at and damaged Nieuwenhuys, car and seriously injured his driver as they picked their way through the streets yesterday to meet the French and United States Consul-Generals. They came to Amman by taxi, and "en route" they picked up as escort two Arab Legion riflemen for protection.

The delegation had scant success, but they have not abandoned hope of a truce for Jerusalem.

They said that both sides were respecting the Red Cross Flag flying on the King David Hotel, but that little else was being spared through the city.

They went back toward Jerusalem wearily for more hours of discussions under trying conditions.

The situation was further complicated by the fact that it was not

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Cominform For South East Asia

BANGKOK, May 17. (Reuter): Persistent reports were circulating here today of plans to establish a South-East Asia branch of the Cominform in Bangkok.

The reports said M. Kalinov. described as the Head of the Cominform Branch at Dairen, on the Kwantung Peninsula, and a high Soviet official were to visit Bangkok shortly on a special Mission.

NEW SHIPPING CORPORATIONS

Central Government To Have Controlling Shares

(From Our Correspondent)
NEW DELHI May 17.

Standing Committee of the Dominion Parliament attached to the Department of Commerce as also the Standing Finance Committee have been summoned to meet here on May 21 to approve the proposals for three Shipping Corporations. As already known the Government will hold 51 per cent of the share capital in each Corporation while 26 per cent of the share capital will be allotted to Managing Agents while the remainder of 23 per cent will be allotted to the public. The Scindia Steam Navigation, the Bharat Steamship Company and the Indian Steamship Company are the three companies which will be given the Managing Agencies of the three Corporations. Subject to the approval by the two Standing Committees of the Central Legislature the three Corporations are expected to be incorporated within the next three months.

AMERICA'S ATOMIC WEAPONS

WASHINGTON, May 17 (U.P.A.): The White House announced today that the recent tests of atomic weapons in the Pacific "were successful in all respects and the results indicate a very substantial progress". The statement was issued half hour after President Truman received the report on the tests from the Atomic Energy Commission.

UTILISATION OF COUNTRY CRAFT

Government Appoints Enquiry Committee

(From Our Correspondent.)
NEW DELHI, May 17.

The Ministry of Commerce has appointed a Committee to enquire into the conditions of the working of countrycraft in this country and suggest measures for its fullest utilisation. The Committee will also make recommendations to prevent wastage by competition of countrycraft and also fraudulent jettising of cargo.

The Committee will consist of Mr. C. A. Buch of the Bombay Steam Company, as Chairman, and Mr. E. M. Desai of the Commerce Department, Baroda State, Mr. M. C. Virabha Pillai, Member, Constituent Assembly, as members. Mr. G. Dattatraya of Mangalore will be the member Secretary of the Committee, which will assemble at an early date.

31 KILLED IN E. I. R. ACCIDENT

CALCUTTA, May 17, (A.P.I.): According to the latest information received at the East Indian Railway headquarters in Calcutta, the total death roll in the accident to 9 Up Doon Express on Saturday near Dhanbad is now 31. The names of the following 4 identified dead persons have been received.

(1) S. N. Maitra of the Office of D.C.M.E. Liloöah, 9TA, Roy Street, Calcutta.

(2) Srijnath, son of Harkishun Mahato, village Harnohi, P. O. Bansgaon, Gorakhpur.

(3) Chinwa girl of 8 years, village Thakurpur, Thana Parasaramipur, Basti.

(4) Thakur Chand, son of Ganapati (Mochi) village Maherain, Gaya.

SCAP OFFICE AT SEWRI

Japan Not Large Buyer Of Exportable Indian Raw Cotton

BOMBAY, May 17. (A. P. I.): While the S.C.A.P. Trade Mission, now in Bombay, has set up an office at the Ready Cotton Market at Sewri to consider samples from the shippers of exportable types—the Mathia and Bengal types—the demand for these varieties in Japan is much smaller than before the war, it was authoritatively learnt today.

The Japanese mills are now stated to be spinning a much finer average count yarn than before, and the kind of cotton Japan is interested in buying is not exportable from India under the present regulations.

The Mission is, therefore, likely to procure only a limited quantity of Bengal and Mathia types.

The Mission met Bombay's silk merchants this afternoon at a tea party, where the leader of the Mission, Mr. W. R. Eaton, said that Japan could send to India a limited quantity of silk and rayon products owing to the existing import restrictions in India.

The Mission today visited the various technological institutes in the city. Mr. R. Donaldson, a member of the Mission, said they were all greatly impressed by the progress being made in technological research by India's young scientists.

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MOSCOW RECOGNISED JEWISH STATE

MOSCOW, May 17 (Reuter): The Soviet Union has officially recognised the state of Israel.

Penalise Victimisation: Limit Profits

CALL FOR NEW DEAL FOR INDUSTRIAL LABOUR

Nanda Answers Socialist Charge: I.N.T.U.C. Policy Explained

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, Government of Bombay, today strongly refuted charges that the Indian National Trade Union Congress was not a democratic body and that it was not following a Socialist policy.

Mr. Nanda, who was moving the statement of policy of the I.N.T.U.C. at the concluding session of annual conference of the Congress, asserted that their aim was the establishment of a socialist democracy in India based on Gandhian principles.

Answering Socialist criticism that the Congress had become a purely capitalist body after the quitting of the Socialist Party, Mr. Nanda said that only a small group, whose sole aim was to seize power, had left the Congress while real Socialists were still within its fold. The Labour Minister said that the Socialists were neither following Socialism nor Gandhiism, but a hotchpotch of both.

RISE IN MEMBERSHIPS

The INTUC, Mr. Nanda observed, had been formed not to provide a platform to make political speeches, but to ameliorate the lot of workers and the country in general. The phenomenal rise in its membership during its short period of existence proved the bonafides of the organisation he declared.

The statemem of policy and programme, which was adopted by the conference, demands that the wage structure should be such as to guarantee the national basic minimum of Rs. 100 per month for every family in large towns, at the 1947 scale of prices with corresponding adjustments in other areas in relation to conditions and the cost of living. Wages should be standardised in all industries on a national basis in the case of industries of an all-India character and regionally in the case of other industries. A system of compulsory savings for the workers should be instituted for all employees through provident fund to which contributions must be made by the employers as well as the employees.

The statement also lays down that the return on invested capital should be kept down to a maximum of three per cent as long as a living wage is not made available to workers. Profits remaining after the appropriation for dividend and for reserves on a reasonable scale should be shared equitably between workers and owners of capital.

INDUSTRIAL TRUCE WELCOMED

The conference passed a resolution welcoming the industrial truce adopted at the recent tri-partite conference

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'Cease Fire' Ultimatum To Arab States

U. S. Plea Before U. N. Security Council

LAKE SUCCESS, May 17, (U.P.A.): The United States today asked the United Nations Security Council to label the war in Palestine a breach of world peace and to order an immediate cease fire by both Jews and Arabs.

American delegate Warren Austin said that the Council should make both sides stand fast in the Holy Land within 36 hours.

Austin submitted a formal resolution to the eleven-nation Council in response to the Arab States announcement that they had invaded the Holy Land and the State of Israel's plea for prompt United Nations action to stem the invasion.

The American resolution did not take sides, but, if adopted, it would amount to an order to the nations of the Arab world to halt their military invasion of Palestine.

Jamal el-Husseini, of the Arab Higher Committee, said, of the American proposal, that "no one can take this seriously."

U. S. ACTION INDICATED

The phrasing of the American proposal indicated that the United States was contemplating stern proposals if the Security Council cease-fire and standstill order failed to quiet Palestine and turn back the Arab invaders.

The text of the American resolution follows:

"The Security Council, taking into consideration that the previous resolutions of the Security Council, in respect to Palestine, have not been complied with, and that military operations are taking place in Palestine; determines that the situation in Palestine constitutes a threat to peace and is a breach of peace within the meaning of Article 39 of the Charter; orders all governments and authorities to cease and desist from any hostile military action and, to that end, issue a cease-fire and standfast order to their military and paramilitary forces to become effective within 36 hours after adoption of this resolution; and direct the Truce Commission, established by the Security Council by its resolution of April, 23, 1948, to report to the Security Council on compliance with these orders."

Battle Fronts At A Glance

UNDATED (Reuter): Here is a survey of the position on the Palestine Fighting Fronts to-day—third day of the Arab invasion—based on the latest claims by Jews and Arabs:

SOUTHERN FRONT: EGYPT: An unconfirmed Cairo report says the Egyptians, advancing along the coastal road, have reached Majdal, 13 miles beyond and about 35 miles from Jaffa. There is no news of the Egyptians advancing inland towards Beersheba.

EASTERN FRONT: (TRANSJORDAN AND IRAQ): Iraqi forces, supported by bombing planes, have attacked the Jewish Settlements of Kishr, Biet-Yousif and Mejda—occupying Kishr, where fighting continued. The Jews at Kishr were reported holding out in barracks under heavy shelling.

NORTH-EASTERN FRONT: Syrians claim that their forces, advancing south-estward into the Galilee region, have linked up with Iraqi forces. A Damascus 'communique' says the Arabs are pressing the Jews in the Samakh region, at the southern tip of the Sea of Galilee and attacking Jewish Settlements in the region.

NORTHERN FRONT (LABANESE): Haganah report a Jewish commando unit raided ten miles inside Lebanese territory and blew up a river bridge over the road into Palestine.

No news from the Arab seaport of Acre, which the Jews yesterday claimed they were beseiging.

CENTRAL FRONT: Furious fighting is reported outside the walls of the Old City. The latest despatch from Jerusalem says that the Arab blockade of the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv Road is still holding in spite of Jewish claims to have cleared the Arab el-Wad Pass, 14 miles west of the City.

Irgun Zvei Leumi report they are attacking the Arab town of Ramleh, further down the road to Tel Aviv.

MADAM PRESIDENT FOR AMERICA!

NEW YORK, May 17. (Reuter): A new element has entered the American election arena — an organisation called "Madam President's Party" advocating "a woman for President".

In a statement headed "Wake up ladies, women are on the march for a better world", the organisation claimed 10,000,000 membership and said its goal was 50,000,000 women voters.

A public opinion survey conducted by the organisation listed Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, wife of the late President, Claire Booth Luce, dramatist and wife of publisher Henry Luce, and the Duchess of Windsor as among the women best qualified to run for President.

It promised a woman candidate in both Republican and Democratic parties or "a party of our own", for the election.

Red Army Manoeuvres In Sakhalin

HAKODATE, (Japan), May 17. (U.P.A.): Russian army units held big military manoeuvres with troops, tanks, anti-aircraft guns and planes on Sakhalin Island, only a few miles from the American occupied Japan, travellers said Sunday night.

The lower half of Sakhalin, formerly owned by Japan, was occupied at the end of the war by Russian troops who moved in from the Soviet-owned half of the long narrow island.

Japanese repatriates, who have just arrived from Saknalin said the manoeuvres were held just on the other side of the narrow Soya Strait which separates the island from the Japanese mainland.

At the repatriation centre here, 17 Japanese men and women from Sakhalin corroborated the story of Russian military manoeuvres told by Jimpei Hossi. Hossi, a 40-year old native born Japanese said, "The Russians take many precautions to keep Japanese from seeing too much of their military activity, but there is no way for them to keep us from seeing such things as those big manoeuvres during February and March. There are many Russian soldiers on the Island and they say openly that Russia will fight the United States".

NO PRIORITY FOR NEXT TEN DAYS

NEW DELHI, May 17. (U. P. I.): Owing to heavy imported foodgrain movements from Bombay, the Regional Advisory Committee for Railways Priorities Delhi Region, has decided to suspend action on all applications for the grant of rail priority facilities from and across the G.I.P. and B. B. and C.I. Railways, to the Eastern Punjab Railway, for the next ten days, says a press note.

Thereafter, the grant of such facilities will be limited to the most essential traffic only for 14 days.

Arms For Jews: Truman Awaits U. N. O. Action

WASHINGTON, May 17 (Reuter): President Truman will probably wait for clarification of the Palestine problem in the Security Council before deciding whether to lift the embargo on arms shipments to Israel, American officials said here today.

Officials conceded, however, that there was no definite assurance the White House would, in fact, wait that length of time.

In view of recent surprising and unexpected turns in United States policy on Palestine it was recognised that "anything might happen" and no forecast was really safe.

This was especially so because many American officials were caught unawares by President Truman's recognition of Israel last week and the same officials may not be fully informed today of plans on the arms embargo.

These were factors which appeared to indicate no immediate action by the White House.

1. The Security Council is taking up questions raised by the invasion of Palestine by the Arab States and any United States action might be taken to prejudge the course of that debate.
2. The State department here is not yet in possession of official information on the extent and scale of the Arab invasion. They are therefore unable immediately to determine the true nature of the threat to Israel.

On the other hand are these factors:—

1. The United States already recognises the de facto rights of the Tel Aviv Government and is therefore bound to recognise an invasion of its territory as aggression within the meaning of the United Nations charter.

2. The original reason for the embargo—to preserve peace while an attempt was made to arrange partition—is now no longer valid.

3. Strong congressional and Press attempts are being made to persuade President Truman to lift the embargo in favour of Israel immediately. If, as is generally accepted, domestic political considerations were an important factor in his decision to recognise. The new State, the same considerations could have equal validity in respect of the arms embargo.

A lifting of the arms ban would apparently meet with broad public favour here.

One of the few voices raised against it was that of Congressman John M. Vorys (Republican, Ohio) a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, who said: "The United States should not furnish arms in a manner which would cause this country to take sides in a holy war".

Mufti-Abdullah Clash?

AMMAN, May 17. (U.P.A.): The United Nations Security Council's Truce Delegation in Jerusalem in their report say:—

The majority of the Arabs fighting within Jerusalem are supporters of the Grand Mufti Kawakji recently was given orders to transfer his command to the Transjordan High Command. It was officially confirmed today that King Abdullah has conferred the title of Paska—knighthood—on Kawakji.

Besides this variance in the Arab command, Azzam Pasha is in Amman. The Truce Commission was trying to contact all of them.

Abdullah, meanwhile, issued a proclamation warning all illegal Arab parties and groups within Palestine that they would be punished and asserted that the Arab High Command is the only proper administrative force in the Holy Land.

Political sources interpreted this as an attack against the Arab Higher Committee of Palestine which Abdullah ordered to be disbanded as unrepresentative. Abdullah, evidently is determined to crack the Mufti's authority and reportedly has refused overtures at a compromise with him.

It was reported that Hassan Salameh, named by the Mufti as Arab irregular commander in the Jaffa area, is under protective custody at Amman where he was brought from Palestine.

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Australians Beat Essex By Innings And 451 Runs

Toshack Ties Up Batsmen With Left Arm Spinners

SOUTHEND (Essex), May 17, (Reuter): The Australians beat Essex by an innings and 451 runs. In their first innings, Essex scored a paltry total of 83 runs while in their second, they made 187. This was in reply to the Tourists' gigantic total of 721.

DETAILS OF PLAY

SOUTHEND (Essex), May 17, (Reuter): Another glorious day was forecast for the second day of the Australians match with Essex here when Essex were to reply to the tourists' gigantic total of 721.

MORE RUDE SHOCKS

More rude shocks were in store for Essex supporters among the big holiday crowd for the county facing the colossal Australian total were all out in their first innings before lunch for only 83. First Miller with the new ball, and then Toshack, with his left arm spinners, completely tied up the batsmen.

Essex lost Dodds without a run on the board and in the first half hour's play four wickets were down for 19 Miller took three of them in five overs for nine runs. With a run of ten paces he worked up sufficient speed to demoralise his opponents who paid the penalty for indeterminate forward strokes. Dodds fell at second slip and then Cray saw his legstump knocked out of the ground at the start of Miller's fifth over. Vigar snicked the next ball into the wicket keeper's hands and Avery lost his off stump without offering a stroke to a ball from Johnston which swung violently from leg.

LITTLE RELIEF FOR ESSEX

Miller now and again made the ball fly menacingly and at other times it kept disturbingly. The resting of the fast men brought Essex and Ring (right arm) were able to turn the ball appreciably.

When Pearce fell in Toshack's leg trap half the side were out for 30 and Horsfall after a few strong strokes made a bad one and was clean bowled at 47.

Ray Smith played the right game in trying to hit the bowlers off their length. Driving, cutting and hooking he hit four boundaries before being caught at silly midon.

Toshack almost medium pace was irresistible. With fourteen runs added he completely deceived Peter Smith and as Tevor Bailey had gone to hospital with a suspected fracture of a finger following an injury when fielding on Saturday the innings closed when Barnes held another fine catch to send back Rist. The innings had lasted 105 minutes and Essex were forced to follow on 638 runs behind.

FAILURE IN SECOND INNINGS.

Essex fared almost as badly in their second innings and but for an unfinished stand of 44 between Pearce and Peter Smith the match no doubt would have been all over before tea, at which stage they were 90 for six wickets.

Miller had to leave the field shortly after lunch with a bruised thigh, McCool fielding as substitute, and during the afternoon Barnes had to retire for a while through knee trouble. Essex failed to take advantage of these handicaps.

Ian Johnson, bowling for the first time in the game, immediately beat Cary, who played outside an off-spinner at 24, when Bradman brought him on.

The next five Essex wickets then fell in three quarters of an hour for 22 runs.

Avery fell at forward short leg at 32 Vigar registered a "Pal" and Dodds, having stayed an hour and a quarter for 16 was bowled middle stump by Toshack.

Ian Johnson disposed of Horsefall and Ray Smith with successive Ballsat 46 and at this stage the Victorian off-spinner had obtained four wickets at the cost of nine runs.

The Essex Captain, Pearce, partnered by Peter Smith (Peter Smith then passed their previous total and when tea was taken they had put on 44 for the seventh wicket without being parted.

Score Board Essex (1st Innings.)

T. T. Dodds c Ring b Miller	0
S. J. Cray b Miller	5
A. V. Avery b Johnston	10
F. H. Vigar c Saggers b Miller	0
A. Horsfall b Toshack	11
T. N. Pearce c Miller b Toshack	8
R. Smith c Barnes b Toshack	25
P. Smith b Toshack	3
F. Rist c Barnes b Toshack	8
E. Price not out	4
T. E. Bailey absent hurt.	
Extras	9
Total (all out)	83

Bowling Analysis:

Miller	8	3	14	3
Bill Johnston	7	1	10	1
Ring	11	4	19	0
Tosnack	10.5	0	31	5

Extras byes 2 legbyes 6 noballs 1.

Second Innings:

Dodds not out	0
Cray not out	0

Wicket fell at 0; 13; 13; 19; 30; 47; 63; 74 and 83.

ESSEX BEATEN.

The Australians beat Essex by an innings and 451 runs.

Score Board: Essex second innings all out 187.

Pearce c and b Ian Johnson	71
Peter Smith lbw bowled Barnes	54
Rist b Ian Johnson	1
Price not out	4
Bailey (absent, hurt)	0
Dodds b Toshack	16
Cary b Ian Johnson	15
Avery c Brown b Ian Johnson	3
Vigar c Ian Josnson b Toshack	0
Harsfall b Ian Johnson	8
Extras	15
Total (all out)	187

FALL OF WICKETS.

1 for 24, 2 for 32, 3 for 35, 4 for 36, 5 for 46, 6 for 46, 7 for 177; 8 for 183 and 9 for 187.

BOWLING ANALYSIS:

Miller	2	1	4	0
Loxton	12	3	28	0
Bill Johnston	10	4	26	0
Toshack	17	2	50	2
Ian Johnson	21	6	37	6
Barnes	9.4	5	11	1
Ring	7	3	16	0

Byes 6, leg byes 3, no balls 6.

Indian Hockey Team For London Olympiad

LUCKNOW, May 16, (A.P.I.): The Indian Hockey Team for the next London Olympiad will be given intensive training in June. It is expected the Indian side will play an exhibition match against a team selected by the Madras Sports Association at Madras on June 28.

Mr. N. N. Mukerji, member of the U. P. Sports Control Board, who has been appointed the official coach of the team, will leave for Bombay, the venue of training, early in June.

Indian Tennis Team In Paris

PARIS, May 17 (Reuter): The India lawn tennis team arrived here today ready for the French Championships which start on Wednesday The playing members are Dilip K. Bose Narendra Nath, Shub Sawney and Sumant Misra.

'Petition' Wins Victoria Cup

HURST PARK (London), May 16. (Reuter)—Sir Alfred Butt's PETITION won Victoria Cup here yesterday. Mas G. Rose's LORD NELSON was second and Lord Sefton's CANDLE LIGHT third. Nineteen ran.

The betting was 7 to 2 against favourite PETITION, 100 to 8 LORD NELSON and 33 to 1 CANDLE LIGHT. Won by half length with three lengths between second and third.

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SECOND ROUND DAVIS CUP

Sweden Beats Switzerland By 5 Rubbers To 0

STOCKHOLM, May 17 (Reuter): Sweden beat Switzerland by five rubbers to zero in their second round Davis Cup match which ended today with two remaining singles.

In these, Torsten Johanason (Sweden) beat Max Albrecht (Switzerland) 11/9; 0/6; 6/2; 6/4 and Lennart Berbelin (Sweden) beat Hans Hounder (Switzerland) 6/2; 6/4; 6/1.

Sweden now meets Hungary in the third round.

Eire Defeats Denmark In Davis Cup Match

DUBLIN, May 17 (Reuter): Eire won the doubles in their second round European zone Davis cup tie against Denmark here today when C. A. Kemp and G.P. Jackson beat K. Nielsen and T. Ulrich by 6/0; 6/3; 6/8; 3/6 6 2.

Denmark won both singles on Saturday and now lead by two matches to one with two singles still remaining to be decided.

HUNGARY DEFEATS FRANCE

PARIS, May 17 (Reuter): Hungary eliminated France from the Davis Cup when in their second round tie which ended today they won the two remaining singles to triumph by 4 rubbers to 1.

Today's Asboth (Hungary) beat Robert Abdesselam (France 7/5, 6/1; 6/2 and Andreas Stolpa (Hungary) beat Marcel Bernard (France) 1/6, 3/6. 6/0; 6/3; 6/4.

Citation To Warm-Up For Delmont

BALTIMORE, Maryland, May 17 (UPA): Citation, the history making bay colt who won both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness States was due to run either in the May 29 Withers Mile or the Peter Pan Handicap June 5 as a warm-up for his thrust at the Belmont Stakes on June 12—the final big race of the season.

Owner Warren Wright's earnings on Citation have been boosted to $268,000 for this year as this horse won Saturday's Preakness race by six lengths and the Kentucky Derby by two-and-a-half.

U. S. Challenge For Britain's Amateur Golf Championship

LONDON, May 17 (UPA): A strong United States challenge for Britain's Amateur Golf Championship opening at Sandwich on May 24. is being made by seven United States stars.

The challengers are headed by Frank Stranahan, M. Reinach, Edward Lowery, R. D. Chapman, Christopher Dunphy, William Turnesa and Robert J. Sweeney Jr.

Other challengers will come from Denmark, Brazil, India, France Belgium and Holland.

Forty matches are scheduled in the first round, the remainder of the competitors having byes into the next round

Frog Jumping Championship In California

ANGLE CAMP, (California), May 17 (Reuter): A spritely frog named "heliotrope" won the California frog jumping championship yesterday with a leap of 11 feet, 5 inches, before a crowd of 10,000 frog lovers.

The croup of university of California students who entered "heliotrope" in the contest said: "We only caught him on Saturday night and we had no opportunity to train him. He's a frog in a million".

The students will share the prize of 200 dollars.

Poona Exhibition Football

POONA, May 17 (API): In an exhibition football match organised by the Maharashtra Football Federation on the Poona Sub-Area sports ground yesterday, Poona Combined Eleven scored an easy victory over Ahmednagar Eleven by 4 goals to nil. The game was of mediocre standard, and produced hardly any interest.

The occasion for the match was the presentation of the trophy to the Indian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers team, who won the championship in the first division of the Football League for the year 1948. The I.E.M.E. won the championship on goal average registering 18 goals as against 8 scored against them in the five matches they played, three of which they won. The I.A.M.C. team, who were the runners-up also won three matches but had only 11 goals by them with the opponents registering 6 goals.

Brigadier H. M. Mohite, Sub-Area Commander, Poona presided over the occasion and Mrs. Mohite gave away the prizes.

FUTURE OF FRENCH POSSESSIONS IN INDIA

PONDICHERRY, May 17 (A.P.I.): It is reliablylearnt that the negotiations between the Governments of India anad France regarding the future status of French settlements in India have reached the final stage and the agreement arrived at may be announced at any moment.

A Day-long Battle Against Guerillas

ATHENS, May 17. (Reuter): Greek forces waged a day-long battle against Guerillas attacking two eastern Macedonian villages, tonight's Greek General Staff communique said.

The Guerillas withdrew after army reinforcements had arrived from Drama, including air support.

'INTELLECTUAL FRUSTRATION'

Britain Faces Break-down Of Primary Education System

LONDON, May 17 (Reuter): A breakdown in the whole elementary educational system of Britain within the next three or four years is forecast by St. John Ervine, playwright and educationist, unless something drastic is done to increase the number of schools and teachers.

He thinks the standard of education in British State schools worse now than during the last half-century. This he attributes to over — crowding and the lack of thorough preparation for raising the school — leaving age from 14 to 15 in April, 1946, to give every child an opportunity of Secondary Education.

Difficulties that have to be coped with include: A substantial increase in the numbers attending schools through the raising of the leaving age particularly of those needing advanced instruction".

Shortage of teachers, mainly due to the war but also to the withdrawal of many men and women of high quality because they are dissatisfied with the financial conditions.

An acute shortage of school buildings, both primary and secondary. This is due to priority for building being given to housing and factories producing goods for export and to the limit placed on all forms of capital expenditure throughout the country.

WORST SUFFERERS

The worst sufferers are the senior boys and girls who are suffering from what St. John Erving calls "intellectual frustration".

Because Secondary Schools are not available, harassed headmasters have, he says, been known to fill in the time of their senior pupils by making them wash milk bottles or sending them on errands.

EARLY CIVILISATION IN PANAMA

WASHINGTON, (U. P. A.): Archaeologists believe they have found "an extremely early and primitive living site" in Panama.

If advance indications are borne out, the National Geographic Society reported, the site was developed well before the birth of Christ.

It appears to be "the first really early habitation area ever found in Central America." It may even be older than ancient sites discovered in recent years in Mexico

Efforts to date the Panama habitation have been inconclusive so far. The earliest sites thus far found in Mexico, in Chiapas state, was definitely pre-Christian.

Geological evidence indicates that human beings lived in Central American villages any where from 2,000 to 4,000 years ago.

A National Geographic-Smithsonian Institution expedition is making explorations in Panama near Parita, about 160 miles south-west of the Canal Zone.

In addition to the pre-Christian site, the expidition has "uncovered two notable 'firsts'," the society said

"Its scientists have found the first urn burials ever to be unearthed between Ecuador and the South-Eastern United States," the National Georgraphic said. "They also have discovered the first group of man-made mounds to be located in Panama.

Most of the objects found in those areas thus far "are believed to belong to the two centuries preceding the Spanish conquest of this area." They included red, black, white and purple pottery of "one of the most sophisticated and attractive types made in aborignal America."

It apparently was made in the 14th or 15th centuries.

In one burial urn the archaeologists made what the society called "an unusual find."

It was a "necklace consisting of 748 human teeth, all of them from the front of the mouth."

Trades Beat Probables

BOMBAY, Sunday.

TRADES	2
PROBABLES	0

In the best match of the season so far, which, incidentally attracted the biggest crowd this year, the Trades get the better of a probable side comprising the best of the remaining talent in the city.

The better co-ordination of the winners and the effectiveness with which they wielded themselves into a team, due to long practice stretching over a period of years, made the Trades side look more formidable than their opponents. Stepping in Bhimrao's place at outside right Roy did much good work but did not arrive at the same understanding that Bhimrao had with their inside-right Parab. Parab, was brilliant in patches, but still needs some practice before he can put on his best performance in London during the coming few weeks.

Perhaps the greatest weakness of the winners lay in what was once their forte. The absence of Rashid from the pivotal position appears to be irreparable at least for the present. Perumal who took that place did not turn up to much advantage being often beaten by Tully and his forwards.

Roy scored the first goal in the first half and during the second session Thomas completed the tally.

For the losers Krishnan in the pivotal position did much to enable this forwards to equalise. Aften he ventured deep into his opponents' territory and kept his forwards moving. Shiva on the left wing was responsible for wasting many fine moves and depriving his forwards of the opportunity of beating the rival custodian.

THE TEAMS:

TRADES—Sanjiva; Manuel and Rathnam; Suvarna, Perumal and Govind; Roy, Parab, Raymond and Peter.

PROBABLES—Thingalaya; Soloman and Papen; Middlecoat, Krishnan Jayaram, Pimplegaonkar, Menezes, Tully, Baby and Shiva.

Campbell-Johnson Sees Nizam Again

To Meet Various Political Leaders And Obtain Their Views

HYDERABAD, (Dn.) May 16 (API): Mr. Campbell Johnson, Lord Mountbatten's Special Emissary to the Nizam, had an audience with the Nizam today and he is expected to see the Nizam again tomorrow

No date has yet been fixed for Mr Campbell's return to Delhi.

Mr. Campbell-Johnson, Press Attache to the Governor-General of the Indian Union, who is at present here in the role of Lord Mountbatten's Special Emissary to the Nizam, was entertained to a dinner party tonight by Mir Laik Ali, Prime Minister of Hyderabad, at Shah Manzil, the latter's official residence, where Mr. Campbell-Johnson has been guest since his arrival here yesterday. All the Ministers of the Nizam's Government, high officials and some local leaders were present.

It is learnt that Mr Campbell-Johnson, who is trying to acqaint himself first hand with the situation here and has already had some talks with some leaders, will fly to Nalgonda District tomorrow morning returning to Hyderabad city tomorrow evening. On his return, it is learnt, Mr. Campbell-Johnson will meet leaders of various political parties in Hyderabad and obtain their views.

Mr. K. M. Munshi, India's Agent-General at Hyderabad who had interrupted a week's holiday in Bangalore in order to meet Mr. Campbell-Johnson left for Bangalore by air this afternoon.

NIZAM'S POLICE SHOOT RED LEADERS

Further Cancellation Of Arrest Warrants

HYDERABAD (Dn.), May 16, (A. P. I.): The Nizam's Government today announced the cancellation of arrest warrant against Makhdoom Mohiuddin, a prominent Communist leader of Hyderabad and five other Communists bringing the total number of arrest warrants against Communists withdrawn so far to 18.

A press note issued by the Nizam's Government today says that in connection with the lifting of the ban against Communist organisations in Hyderabad, the Nizam's Government have issued orders cancelling warrants against further batch of following six Communists: Makhdoom Mohiuddin of Hyderabad city and Mahadeviah, Yeramneni Narsima, Yella Reddy, Sanjeevs Reddy and Chande Achiga Dhangar all of whom belong to Nalgonda district.

Meanwhile another press note issued by the Nizam's Government today announced that seven more Communists had been killed in encounters with Hyderabad police. The note added that three of these "all leaders in a subversive movement" were shot in a fight with the police at Kottaguda village in Nalgonda district on May 12.

STOCKING AMERICA'S ZOOS

HONGKONG: A collection of wild animals and birds, described as the largest ever consigned to the United States at one time, is at present in transit at Hongkong. The collection was brought from Siam and is destined for United States zoos and circutes.

Among the animals are seven elephants, six bears, 200 Gibbon apes, 200 monkeys and four Siamese golden cats. There are about 2000 birds. Many of the birds are of rare species, including a pair of Hoopoes, the first ever to be sent to the United States.

Feeding of the collection has provided an enormous problem. For the birds, over 50,000 worms were flown from the United Stoates For the animals, green fodder has been purchased in Hongkong by the ton.

The collection was made by Mr. Noel Rosenfelt and Mr. Paul S. Hull, representing the Catalina Wild Life Expeditions, of Catalina Island, California.

HIGH SPEED WIND TUNNEL

MELBOURNE, (Reuter): A wind tunnel to cater for speeds up to 1,800 miles an hour will be built as part of the aeronautical research project planned for Australia or New Zealand, Mr. W. Perring, director of the Royal Aircraft establishment, Farnborough, England, said here recently. He was attending the conference here of the Commonwealth Advisory Aeronautical Research Council.

MOSCOW'S BLUE FOXES

MOSCOW, (Reuter): Russia is cultivating the blue polar fox.

Dozens of these animals brought to Moscow in 1946 have successfully acclimatised themselves in breeding farms.

"Rump Families" For German War Widows

BERLIN (Reuter): Thousands of German women are seriously considering a suggestion that small groups of war widows should pool their resources, found "rump families" and set up joint homes

The proposal aims at solving the problems of those who, with no husbands to provide for them and their children, are finding great difficulty in fighting the daily battle for existence in a closely rationed country.

During the day, the majority of them are busy in office or factory, earning their living.

American Senators Invite Madras Minister

MADRAS, May 17. (A.P.I.): Fourteen American Senators headed by Mr. Alben W. Barclay and 24 members of the House of Representative from various parts of U.S.A. have jointly cabled to the Madras Prohibition Minister, Mr. Daniel Thomas, inviting him Hollywood Bowl to speak at a mass meeting there on June 3 and at the Assembly Riverside in California between June 7 and 14 in connection with the tenth anniversary of the Moral Rearmament.

In the cable which was received to-day by Mr. Daniel Thomas at his sickbed in the General Hospital, Madras, the American Senators state: "In our view the developing world situation puts an over-riding priority on skill in ideological warfare. This skill demands intensive training for Governments and people Economic aid is essential for world recovery but without the force of a superior ideal, economic or military force of themselves hold no solution. Millions all the world over are looking for a positive creative answer to totalitarianism in any form and the education of our countries in this field is a grave responsibility. We appeal to you to work with us and your presence at California will be an invaluable first step."

Mr. Daniel Thomas has expressed his regret that he cannot avail himself of the invitation as he is at present bed-ridden and undergoing treatment in the hospital.

DEMOCRACIES MUST MOBILISE

Renewal Of Reciprocal Trade Pacts To Fight Totalitarians

LOS ANGELES, May 17 (Reuter): Mr. George V. Allen, United States Assistant Secretary of State, declared here today that it would be "disastrous" for American foreign policy if Congress did not renew the Reciprocal Trade Agreements Act expiring on June 12.

Failure to renew the Act which he described as "the key to this Government's economic co-operation programme", might lead to economic warfare among the democracies, which would leave Russia economically superior, he declared.

Speaking before the Los Angeles World Trade Conference, the Assistant Secretary of State said: "Repudiation or serious weakening of the Reciprocal Trade Agreements programme might seriously endanger all the gains made up to this time, and could conceivably lead to a breakdown of economic co-operation and a retreat to economic warfare of the kind that created such havoc two decades ago.

SOVIET PLAN

"Such an unfortunate development in the present precarious state of world affairs would be disastrous for our cause. It is obvious that the Soviet Union is intent on welding the nations it dominates into a compact economic bloc that can be used as an instrument to further the aggressive designs of International Communism."

Only if the democratic nations ignored their community of interests, became rivals, and weakened each other could the economic strength of the totalitarians prove superior, he said.

Mr. Allen added that other nations would regard Congressional action on the Trade Agreements Act as "a test of the sincerity and strength of American foreign policy."

RADIO-ACTIVE ANIMALS BANNED

NEW YORK (Reuter): All animals that have been treated with radioactive isotopes will be banned from a laboratory here that supplies genetically pure mice to 150 cancer research laboratories.

The aim is to keep strains of experimental animals completely free from inheritance changes caused by radioactivity in their germ cells.

HELPING HAND

CLEVELAND, OHIO, (Reuter): A cafe owner here after a violent struggle threw a drunk off his premises. Later the owner noticed his wallet, containing 200 dollars was missing.

Embarrassed patrons explained they had seen the wallet fall to the floor during the struggle, had assumed it belonged to the drunk and had put it in his pocket.

Mirror On The Wall

WARSAW, (Reuter: A proposal by Warsaw's Reconstruction Bureau to issue mirrors inscribed on the back 'turn me round and you will see the face of the man who helped to reconstruct Warsaw" has been sharply criticized by part of the Polish press as "frivolous". One paper tartly remarked: "We suggest the originator of the idea should carefully look at his face in the mirror and ask the reflection whether he is not capable of some better idea."

POWERFUL RAT

POWELL RIVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA, (Reuter): A rat stepped on a power cable in this British Columbia town and caused: loss of two hours paper production in the huge Powell River Company paper plant closing of restaurants: melting of ice cream in electric refrigerators: and loss of 2,000 hatching chicks in an incubator.

Found And Lost

NEW YORK (Reuter): John Carson was leaning over the rail of a ferry in New York harbour when his false teeth dropped out. He tried to grab them, overbalanced and tumbled into the water.

The ferry captain lowered a boat and Carson was rescued holding his teeth triumphantly in his hand.

When Carson scrambled back on board the ferry he found his glasses had come off in the water.

Calcutta Football League

CALCUTTA, May 17 (API): Following are the results of matches played in the first division of the Calcutta Football League today

East Bengal 0 George Telegraphs 0
Dalhousie 1 Bhowanipore 0.

Britain's 'City Of Scientists'

Research Station For Supersonic Flights To Cost £20 Million

BEDFORD, May 17 (Reuter): Britain's "city of scientists"—a huge research stations to centralise all British experiments in supersonic flight—is under rapid construction near here.

It will cost £20,000,000 and will ultimately have a staff of 8000 of whom about 1,400 will be scientists.

Although some equipment will be ready for work within a few months, it is estimated that the station will not be completed until 1952.

Two main items in the plan are a wind tunnel capable of operating at roughly 1,440 miles an hour, twice the speed of sound, and a giant runway five miles long and 600 yards wide.

Directing the stations, scientific experiment is Mr. W.G.A. Perring, a wartime "back-room boy" whose investigations and reconstructions largely helped the Allies to learn how Hitler's V—2 rockets worked.

INDO-ETHIOPEAN RELATIONS

Jethalal Premjee On Chances For Barter Trade

ADDIS ABABA, (Ethiopia). Closer economic and cultural relations between India and Ethiopia would prove mutually advantageous, mainly to Ethiopia according to Mr. Jethalal Premjee, proprietor of J. Premjee & Company, who is on his annual inspection visit to the company's branch here.

"We desire increased trade between India and Ethiopia," said Mr. Premjee. "One of the main means of accomplishing this would be by India supplying Ethiopia with more cotton goods and Ethiopia sending grain in exchange to India.

India's main need from Ethiopia is grain of which India is short, while Ethiopia has always had large needs for Indian cotton goods. The Indian Government, Mr. Premjee said, has already proposed to the Ethiopian Government a barter system of exchanging these two commodities.

MAKE INVESTMENT IN ETHIOPIA

Another means of establishing closer economic relations would be the granting of permission for an Indian bank to open a branch in Ethiopia he said. This would tend to attract Indian capitalists to make investments in Ethiopia, particularly in agricultural development enterprises. Such investments and enterprises would, in turn attract Indian farmers. Indian bankers, he added, would be willing to work jointly with Ethiopians in such agricultural development projects.

From a cultural standpoint, Mr. Premjee said India can help Ethiopia by supplying technicians and teachers to assist in Ethiopia's reconstruction and educational program.

Commenting on the Ethiopian cotton goods market, he stated that at present the market is at a virtual standstill. This he attributed to the following main reasons. First, the buying capacity of the Ethiopian people has decreased due to the disproportionate rise in imported goods as compared with prices received for raw materials, and, secondly the cotton piece goods market was become overstocked by heavy previous buying by merchants when the demand was high When present large stocks begin to decrease the market may be expected to rise again.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

Regarding the possibility of diplomatic relations being established shortly between India and Ethiopia, Mr. Premjee stated that the Indian Government has already decided to send a diplomatic representative here from the Indian Embassy in Cairo. Mr Premjee expressed it as his opinion that diplomatic representations between New Delhi and Addis Ababa would be preferable to having India's diplomatic representation attached to the Cairo Embassy.

Noakhali Hartal Against Sales Tax

NOAKHALI, May 17, (Upi): As a protest against the imposition of embargo sales tax by the Pakistan Government, merchants of Noakhali observed one-day token hartal yesterday. All shops and hotels remained closed for the day.

A public meeting was held at the Municipal compound in the evening when a resolution was adopted demanding the immediate withdrawal of sales tax.

Pakistan Official Arrested

DACCA, May 17, (UPI): A Sikh official of the Customs Department, Kushtia district has been arrested by Darshana on charge of accepting bribes; gratification of Rs 1,000, which were given to him in currency notes after they had been signed by a magistrate.

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CITY & SUBURBS

To-day

Hindu: Vaishakh Shud 10, 2004.
Muslim: Rajjab 8, 1367.
Parsi: Ader 18, 1317.
Sunrise: 6-3 a.m. Sunset: 19-7 p.m.
Hightide: 8-14, 20-28. Lowtide: 2-18, 14-18.

To-day's Engagements

ROTARY CLUB: Meeting today (Tuesday) at Green's Hotel at 1-45 p.m. when Rotarian Ramanlal G. Saraiya will speak on: "Indian Cotton Situation—Recent Developments".

SOCED CLUB: Today (Tuesday) at 9 p.m. Mr. P. Narayana Prasad, Director of Research, Reserve Bank of India, will speak on "Why is America so prosperous?" at Y.M.C.A., Wodehouse Road.

RURAL BROADCASTS

Hon'ble Mr. L. M. Patil, Minister for Excise and Reconstruction to Government of Bombay will broadcast a talk on "Prohibition" in Marathi today (Tuesday) between 6-35 and 6-55 p.m. The broadcast will be heard on 41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s.) This will be followed by a talk in Kannada by Mr. S. R. Kanthi, Parliamentary Secretary to the Government of Bombay on "Co-operative Problems of Karnatak", between 6-55 and 7-15 p.m.

"ON CONTRACT BRIDGE"

In place of the scheduled item, All-India Radio, Bombay, will broadcast a discussion in English on "Contract Bridge" between Hamilton Smith and Betty Stanton at 9-45 p.m. today (Tuesday). This can be heard on 244 and 61-48 Metres.

Weather News For Farmers

FORECAST:—A few light showers in the Karnatak and the South Konkan after a day or two.

FORECAST TILL THE EVENING OF 18TH:—Fair weather.

REST HOUSE AT POONA FOR W.I.A.A. MEMBERS:—Members of the W.I.A.A. are hereby informed that the Association has recently opened Rest House known as "W.I.A.A. Rest House" at 7, Moledina Road, Poona. Those members desiring to take advantage thereof may please write for terms and particulars to the Secretary, Western India Automobile Association, Churchgate Reclamation, Bombay.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, May 18
244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
7-30 a.m. C. V. Pantvaidya 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 C. V. Pantvaidya 9-30 Close down.

12 a.m. Akashwaniche Chotre 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Geet Gazalen Aur Thumriyan 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 I Like This 4-20 Prabhavati Keskar 4-40 G. H. Muley & Madhavrao Tarabadkar 5-30 Pramila Bai 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 G. H. Muley 6-30 Pannalal Ghosh 7-0 Topic of the Day 7-10 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 A. R. Oza 7-30 Chavdiwar 7-45 Sachindev Verman 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Pramila Bai 8-45 Hamara Hindustan Feature in Hindustani depicting our Nation's splendid old structure 9-0 News (P) 9-15 News (E) 9-30 BBC News Reel 9-40 Musical Interlude 9-45 Two Worlds:: Is One World Possible? Talk in English by R. G. Reissner 10-0 "This is Bombay" 10-10 London Radio Orchestra.

VARIATIONS
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)
7-40 a.m. Gujarati Filmathi 5-45 A.R. Oza. 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 to 7-30 Interval
61.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)
7-45 Commercial News 8-0 Madhavrao Tarabadkar 9-0 Nalini Desai 9-30 Prabhavati Keskar 10-0 Nalini Desai 10-30 Pannalal Ghosh 11-0 Close down.

Marine Drive Flat Raided

Two Foreigners Arrested On "Pagri" Charge

BOMBAY, Monday:

Following a raid carried out by the Crime Branch No. 2 of the Bombay C.I.D. this evening, Madam Olga Craen and her husband Mr. Jules Craen were arrested on a charge of alleged acceptance of a 'Pagri' of Rs. 42,000 for sub-letting a flat at Marine Drive.

On receipt of information that the arrested persons were sub-letting a portion of their luxurious flat at Marine Drive it is said, the police sent a bogus customer and the amount was fixed at Rs. 42,000 including the cost of furniture. This evening the bogus customer went to the place of the accused with marked notes to finalise the transaction. As soon as the marked notes were exchanged the police who were hiding outside, raided the flat and arrested both the husband and wife along with two others who acted as intermediaries. The marked notes were also said to have been recovered.

The raiding party included two honorary magistrates.

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FREEDOM OF ASSOCIATION

Proposed I. L. O. Convention

The I.L.O. is expected to take action at its June Conference in San Francisco on a new world Convention guaranteeing freedom of association and the rights of workers and employers to organize.

The proposed Convention declares that "workers and employers, without distinction whatsoever, shall have the inalienable right to establish or join organizations of their own choosing without previous authorization". It proposes that such groups shall have the right to draw up their constitutions and rules, elect representatives, and formulate programmes without any interference by the public authorities "which would restrict this right or impede the lawful exercise thereof". It further stipulates that workers' and employers' organizations "shall not be liable to be dissolved or have their activities suspended by administrative authority" and shall have the right to establish federations and confederations and to affiliate with international organizations of workers and employers.

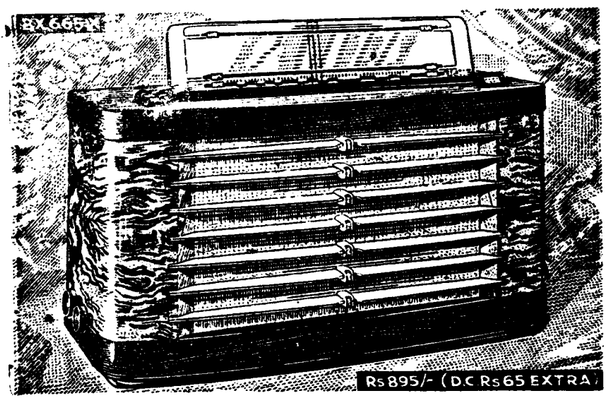
The question of trade union rights was referred to the I.L.O. by the March session of the United Nations Economic and Social Council following the submission to it of memoranda from the World Federation of Trade Unions and the American Federation of Labour.

FATAL FALL FROM DIVING BOARD

BOMBAY, Monday.

A boy aged 15, while bathing in Golwalla Bath, at Backbay, Colaba, slipped from the staircase leading to the "diving board" and tumbled down on the rocks, resulting in his "spinal cord" being dislocated, and subsequent death, at Bumonji Dinshaw Petit Parsee Hospital.

Faridoon Jehangir Choksey, the victim, was a student, and residing at Cushrow Baug, Colaba.



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PREMIERS & MINISTERS TO CONFER ON REFUGEES PROBLEM

Congress President's Answer To Deputation's Plea For Speedy Rehabilitation

BOMBAY, May 17. (A.P.I.): A conference of the Premiers and some Ministers of the Provinces has been called by Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, on May 28 and 29 at Delhi, to consider the question of rehabilitation of refugees and to evolve a system of greater co-ordination and speedier relief.

Disclosing this to a deputation of Sindhi Hindu Refugees led by the Sindhi Hindu Refugee Seva Samiti, which met him here yesterday, Dr. Rajendra Prasad is understood to have assured them that he would contact the Government of India and see that the scheme of housing prepared by them was put into effect immediately.

The Congress President is understood to have told the deputation that the transport bottleneck was still retarding the work of rendering aid to refugees in time. He would ask the Government to quicken the pace of house construction.

It is learnt that the Congress President told them that he would ask Mr. S. K. Patil, President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, to organise a central Relief Committee in Bombay for helping the refugees.

The deputation placed before the Congress President the difficulties of the refugees in respect of housing, transport for the camps to places of work in Bombay and in other towns where they were scattered. Many of the camps were in a delapilated condition and with the approach of monsoon women and children would be exposed to disease. The deputation urged that the camps should be repaired in time.

It was stated by the deputation that many houses were lying vacant and the Government should be requested to allot two out of every five vacant houses to refugees. A band of workers would help the Government in this work of entertaining applications and alloting houses.

The deputation complained that the evacuation of nearly five lakhs of Hindus and Sikhs in Sind was very slow. Most of them in the interior of the province and in a helpless condition. If the Government failed to bring out in time they would be put to great hardships and "perish or be converted to Islam".

It was urged that now that there was a large number of Sind Hindus and Sikhs in Bombay, the Government should be asked to recognise Sindhi as a provincial language and open aided schools for the benefit of Sindhi children.

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SVADESHI MILLS CO.

Mr. A. D. Shroff, Chairman of the Svadeshi Mills Co., Ltd. speaking at the annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Company on Monday said:—

I regret to mention that on the 15th of April Sir Homi Mehta, one of your Directors, died in tragic circumstances in a plane crash in Shannon. He was a Director of your Company for several years and rendered useful service to the Company. I am sure you will join with me in conveying our sincerest condolences to the family of the deceased.

Coming to the accounts before you, it will be noticed that the profit has fallen by Rs. 36 lacs as compared with 1946. Apart from the fact that there was less working during the year by about 18 per cent, some factors that contributed to the decrease were increased cost of raw material, fuel etc. and increased labour cost, unaccompanied by any increase in ceiling prices for cloth. It may interest you to know that the Industrial Court's awards standardising wages and giving increased dearness allowance both of which were given retrospective effect from the 1st January 1947, meant an extra payment by your Company of over Rs. 7 lacs. A further award from that Court directed the payment of two months' wages as bonus which, with the Independence Bonus already paid by the industry, meant a total of three months' wages or one-fourth of the wages earned by the operatives during 1947, as against one-fifth of the earnings in 1946. On bonus account we had to pay an extra of about Rs. 3,15,000. Holidays with pay accounted for a further Rs. 2,22,000. As a result we had to bear during the year an increased labour cost of nearly Rs. 12 1/2 lacs.

In spite of the substantial drop in profits, in view of reduced taxation and lesser amounts carried to Reserves we have been able to recommend to you the payment of a dividend of Rs. 22 on Ordinary shares against Rs. 27 last year. Taking all the facts into consideration I hope you will consider the dividend satisfactory.

As stated in the Report we received during the year a sum of Rs. 32,96,902 as refund of Excess Profits Tax deposits. A balance of Rs. 13,84,854 still remains to be received as shown in the Balance Sheet. The bulk of this amount is due for payment in the current year and the balance towards the end of 1949.

We shall also be receiving in 1949 (most of it in April) the refund of one-tenth of the Excess Profits Tax. The total of such tax paid by us upto date being Rs. 1,89,65,824 we shall get a refund of Rs. 18,96,582.

Cloth Merchant Fined

BOMBAY, Monday:

V. A. Kapadia, Proprietor of Amersey and Sons, Bombay, was fined Rs. 1500 in default 7 months S.I. for having effected a sale of one 'taka' of mull cloth at black-market rate at Mazgaon Police Court today.

Kapadia was further fined Rs. 500 in default 1 month's S.I. for having obtained 3 'takas' of cloths, without the necessary authorisation, at the same court.

'SWARAJ TAX' FOR REHABILITATION

Kishorilal's Suggestions To Government To Tackle Refugee Problem

NEW DELHI May 17 (API): Seth Kishorilal member of the Central Relief and Rehabilitation Committee and the Central Peace Committee, has in a statement suggested a programme for the immediate and effective rehabilitation of refugees.

For the resettlement of displaced persons in the economic and social life of India, Seth Kishorilal makes the following suggestions. (1) The problem may be given top-priority by the Government for the next three years.

(2) A rehabilitation tax or Swaraj Tax may be levied all over the country except on the people affected by the partition. The tax may be levied for three years and a sum of 300 crores may be collected for the relief of refugees.

(3) The A.I.C.C. should include the rehabilitation of refugees as the first item in its constructive programme.

(4) The portfolio of the Ministry of relief and Rehabilitation should go to persons" who can share the sufferings of the refugees."

(5) Various irrigation and electricity projects, which have no direct connection with the salvation of the refugees should be given up for the time being and other projects like those of Bhakra Dam, Nangal and Himachal Pardesh development and East Punjab capital may be taken up for the present.

(6) Lottery system may be revived and the income thus derived may be spent for the benefit of the refugees.

500 Muslims Refugees Back In Their Homes

NEW DELHI, May 17 (U.P.I.): About 500 Muslims, who had been forced to leave their homes during the last September disturbances have been resettled in their original homes in Delhi Province. Mahatma Gandhi's mission that he would not rest till those who had been forced to leave their homes had been resettled is thus being fulfilled. More Muslims are returning to their homes.

The lands which belonged to them have been restored and their share in the crop has also been given to them.

REFUGEES FROM HYDERABAD INCREASING

Poona Forms Refugee Committee

POONA, May 17 (API)—A 'Hyderabad Refugees Committee' has been formed in Poona to help refugees coming over to Poona from the Nizam's dominion.

According to Mr. M. R. Tushibagabale President of the Committee about 500 refugees have so far registered their names with the Committee seeking its assistance, but he expected that atleast 2000 more refugees must have arrived in Poona due to unsettled conditions in Hyderabad. He expected that more refugees would find their way to Poona as the bordering districts of Hyderabad, such as Sholapur, would not be in a position to accommodate the steady influx of refugees in these parts, which was now being reported.

The Committee, he said, would seek the co-operation of the Government of tackling the problem.

Sindhi Refugees Form Association

(From A Correspondent)

At the meeting of the Sindhi Refugee workers of Bombay and representatives of various Camps held in Sindhu Resettlemen Corporations office on Sunday the 16th instant it was unanimously resolved to form the Bombay Sindhi Refugees Associations to tackle immediate problems affecting the Sindhi refugees.

A provisional Committee was formed with Shrimati Gangabhen Gidwani as Chairman and M/s Bherumal Isardas and Santsing Hakumatsing as Secretaries. M/s Vishin I. Jagtiani Mangharam N. Thadani Mohan Ramchandani Narsindas Nenumal Dayasing Uttamchand and Hiranand Kishinchand were elected on the Executive Committee.

"REFUGEES FROM GODHRA"

The District Magistrate Panch Mahals, Godhra requests the residents of Godhra who have not so far returned to their homes to do so in the near future. Government desires to assure these persons that every possible precaution will be taken to safeguard their interests in Godhra on their return there. If they fail to go back to their homes, it is possible that their deserted residences may be allotted to others as it is considered undesirable to leave the premises vacant for a long period.

"Absconding Servant Wanted"

Virappa Ramanna, is wanted in a case of Criminal Breach of Trust, filed by his employer in respect of Rs. 28,763 with which he absconded on 17th April 1948.

The servant was sent down to Bombay by his master from Hyderabad in the month of April to collect outstandings from his customers, and after collecting the money Virappa absconded and his whereabouts remain unknown.

Any information likely to lead to his being traced may kindly be communicated to Inspector Sami of the C.I.D. or the Inspector of Police Princess Street Police Station through Police Exchange Telephone No. 39811.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL IN SEWRI

Press Conference was held in Sewri T. Hospital when pressmen were shown alround the Hospital and were explained all about the latest machinery and accommodation.
Photo shows: Dr. C. S. Patel, Dr. J. V. DeSa, Dr. Botwalla Dr. Major Gedekar, Dr. Kavarna, Dr. Shah, Dr. C. S. Vohra. Miss L. Gokhani and others around the X'ray equipment.

S.C.A.P. MISSION'S ACTIVITIES

Discussions For Purchase Of Indian Cotton

BOMBAY, May 17.

The SCAP Trade Mission from Japan to-day visited the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, the Department of Chemical Technology, University of Bombay, the Haffkine Institute and the Bombay silk mills and was greatly impressed by the progress being made in technological research by young scientists of India for the country's industrial expansion.

Later on Mr. W. R. Eaton, leader of the Mission and Mr R. Donaldson lunched with Mr. G. M. Hall of the City Bank of New York and some other bankers of Bombay and discussed with them financial problems involved in increased Indo-Japanese trade relations.

In the afternoon, the Mission met silk merchants at the Taj where a question and answer session was held regarding increased trade in silk and rayon and their products. Mr. Eaton pointed out that until the Government of India found it necessary to release their import restrictions, only limited volum of trade could be done in these items.

Earlier, Mr. Eaton met the Textile Commissioner to the Government of India and held discussions on mutual allowance settlement of 170,000 bales of raw cotton which were shipped to Japan last fall. The discussion will continue during the week.

Army And Navy Stores Manager Fined

BOMBAY, Monday:

James Williamson, General Manager of Army and Navy Stores Limited, was fined Rs. 1000 in default 5 months S.I. for having failed to cause the necessary markings to be made on the cloth imported from Nottingham during 1947, and for having disposed them off, without the required "release order", at Mazgaon Police Court, today.

TERIM BONUS TO PLANTATION LABOUR

OOTACAMUND, May 17, (API): After full and frank discussion of issues involved on the proposal of the Commissioner of Labour to grant 6-1/4 per cent interim bonus to plantation labour on the Nilgiris, the plantation industry, represented by 'Upasi,' was today directed by the Madras Government spokesman, Mr. K. G. Menon, to ascertain the views of the industry as a whole, within three weeks at a conference of representatives of the Government, planters and labour, presided over by Mr. P. Sitaram Reddi, Minister for Industries and Labour.

Both plantation labour and industry accepted the time and the threatened strike stands postponed.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, May 17, (API): The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches for the past 24 hours from April 1, 1948 and departure from normal recorded at 8-0 hours (IST) on May 17, 1948:—

Ahmedabad 110 81 0 0 minus 0.3 Ahmednagar 106 74 0 0.1 minus 0.4 Bangalore 92 72 0 6.4 plus 2.9 Baroda 110 81 0 0 BOMBAY 93 82 0 0 0 Calcutta 97 82 0.4 2.9 minus 1.5 Colombo 88 82 T 16.6 minus 0.1 Delhi 107 77 0 0 minus 0.5 Hyderabad (Dn) 111 85 0 2.1 plus 0.4 Indore 108 79 0 0.1 minus 0.1 Lucknow 110 72 0 0 mint 0.6 Madras 108 77 0 0.7 minus 0.3 Mahabaleshwar 85 65 0 0.3 minus 1.1 Mysore 91 72 0 9.9 plus 4.5 Nagpur 116 81 0 0.5 minus 0.3 Patna 101 82 0 0.4 minus 0.4 Poona 99 72 0 0 minus 0.8 Sholapur 112 79 0 0.1 minus 8.0.

WEATHER SUMMARY

The following is the weather summary for Monday, May 17, 1948:—

Yesterday's depression over Bay of Bengal is probably deep and centred this morning within one degree of latitude 17-1/2 degree N., longitude 93 degrees E. and is likely to move northwards.

Thundershowers have been widespread in Malabar and occurred at a few stations in Eastern Pakistan and in and near West Bengal.

Day temperatures were appreciably above normal generally over the whole country outside north-east India and the west coast of the peninsula.

FORECAST UNTIL 18TH EVENING: Thunder-rain will occur locally in Assam, Eastern Pakistan, and Malabar and at a few stations in West Bengal, in and near Chota Nagpur, in Orissa, Mysore, the extreme southern districts of Madras and along the north Madras coast.

No large change in temperatures is expected.

HEAVY RAINFALL WARNING: Locally heavy rain may commence along the Chittagong coast within the next 48 hours.

SILK MERCHANTS' PARTY

BOMBAY, Monday.

Members of the Bombay Silk Merchants Association to-day asked the SCAP Japanese Trade Mission, at a tea party in the Taj Mahal Hotel, given in honour of the visitors, what the chances were of the properties of Indian businessmen in Japan being returned to them now that a long time had passed since the end of hostilities.

Mr. Sobhrajmal Manghanmal, President of the Association, said that India was interested in importing from Japan not only silk and art silk piecegoods but requirements for improving this country's screen printing industry which he described as an "infant" one. He asked for details regarding Japan's position with regard to the supply of silk weaving looms and other printing and dying machinery.

The leader of the mission, Mr. Eaton, said he had noted the representations of the Association and said they would be taken into consideration in formulating their final report.

HEAT WAVE IN BEZWADA

BEZWADA, May 17 (API): Bezwada experienced a terrific heat wave yesterday, the hottest day since summer began this year. The mercury shot up to 118 degrees in shade.

ONE KILLED IN CAR ACCIDENT

BOMBAY Monday.

One person was killed and seven others injured when a motor car proceeding along Hornby Vellard, dashed against a stationary lorry. The incident took place at 11-30 last night, and the man who died is identified as R Noronha. Miss Irene Mascarenhas, another occupant of the car is reported to have received serious injuries.

The car, it appears came from Worli side and was proceeding along Hornby Vellard towards Tardeo when the mishap with the lorry occurred. The car is said to be badly damaged.

The victim of the accident, who died, was Raymond Naronha aged 28, a typist in the "Times of India" office.

"At Home" To I. N. T. U. C. President

The President and members of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee will be "At Home" to the President and members of the General Council of the Indian National Trade Union Congress at the Congress House at 3-30 p.m. to-day (Tuesday).

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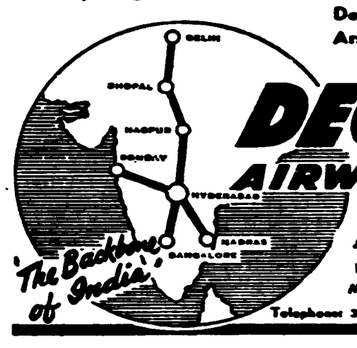

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The lamp of the body is the eye; if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is the darkness.

—TOLSTOY.

ZERO HOUR

The Hyderabad situation is slowly moving up to a climax. Hundreds of incidents of what a news agency has described as "systematic gangsterism" have been taking place all along the border with the Razakars playing the stellar role. In the Indian Union there is growing indignation and preparations for open or underground reprisals. On either side of the border impatience is mounting and many a querulous complaint is heard demanding "action" on the part of the Government of India. The Government of India have so far acted with wisdom in not giving way to irritation or impatience. For, after all, to use an expression made familiar on another occasion, whether the knife falls on the melon or the melon on the knife, it is the melon that is cut. It is the people of Hyderabad who have already suffered a long period of oppression and agony, that will be subjected to untold and unforseeable hardships and sufferings. Whether the "action" that is being so insistently urged on the Government of India takes the form of economic blockade or even sterner measures, the people of Hyderabad will have to pay the price. The potentialities for mischief of the Razakar army led by so irresponsible a person as Mr. Kasim Razvi has shown himself to be, are very great indeed. This army is reported to have grown from 50,000 to a hundred thousand. It is well armed and equipped. When driven to desperation and with its retreat cut off, it is capable of wreaking vengence—and the brunt of its anger is bound to fall on the poorest, weakest and most helpless section of the Hyderabad people. Also the possibility of international complications, such as arose in the case of Junagadh, cannot be altogether ignored. People driven to desperation by their own folly are capable of anything. For these and many other reasons the Government of India have not the slightest desire to subject the people of Hyderabad to the terrible consequences of civil strife or military action. But despite the very great restraint and exemplary patience that has been exercised and will continue to be exercised by the Government of India, it would be assuming too much to rule out the possibility of that restraint and patience breaking down under the provocative deeds of the Razakars and even more provocative utterances of their leader, the irrepressible Mr. Kasim Razvi.

The statesmanship displayed by the Government of India in this matter should have called forth a like statesmanship on the part of His Exalted Hignness the Nizam. This unfortunately has not happened so far. Considering that the Nizam professes to act in the interests of his own people, it is strange that he has not realised that what is happening today is neither in the interests of his people nor that of his own. He has recognized and his Government has so often stated in clear terms that geographically, economically and strategically, the fate of Hyderabad is inextricably linked up with that of the Indian Dominion. He should also realise, if he has failed to do so till now, that by showing greater accommodation than he has done so far both to the wishes of the overwhelming majority of his own subjects as well as to that of the people of the Indian Dominion, he has everything to gain and nothing to lose. That way he will be confirmed in the affections of his people. That way he will evoke the regard and appreciation of the Government and the people of India. That way he assures the integrity of the State of Hyderabad and its continuance as a territorial and administrative unit. And that way he will guarantee the fulfilment of his own rule and the dynastic succession of his family and descendants. But if, by the prolongation of his obduracy and the persistence in the present state of lawlessness in the State wherein armed bands of men can carry out raids into Indian territory and harry people there, the whole issue is driven to the arbitrament of arms (which none wishes), then the entire future becomes unpredictable. And what is it after all that the Hyderabad Government is called upon to do to eliminate any such possibility? The first and foremost thing, of course, is the restoration of complete peace within the State as well as across the borders. This means putting an end to the great menace of Razakar terror. There is no question of the Nizam or his Government having become utterly helpless to put an end to this terror. In that case it will be doubly in their interest to act quickly. They could, if necessary, ask for the aid of the Government of India which will certainly be most readily extended. The second step is to end the regime of repression and move towards the establishment of responsible Government in the State. This end is so unexceptionable, so universally regarded as the right thing in the modern world that the rulers of Hyderabad cannot possibly hope to deny this right to the people for any length of time or to get the sympathy and support of any reasonable person or party in the world for that denial. The question of accession comes third and the last on the list. This question, the Government of India has already suggested, may well be left to the plebiscite of the people themselves. The Government of India is pledged to the democratic method and has not the slightest desire to coerce anybody. If the Nizam and his Government can convince their people that their interests will be better served by not acceding to India, they are at liberty to decline to accede, provided, of course, the people express their will to that effect in a democratic way. A decision thus obtained will any day be more valuable to the Nizam because he is assured of the strength and support of his people, whereas today his Government has to carry on in the face of persistent opposition by a large section of his people, who have to be gagged and suppressed and kept down in the pursuit of an unwise policy. In taking all these steps the Nizam will clearly be serving the interests, as much of himself as of his people.

Just now Mr. Campbell-Johnson, the special emissary of Lord Mountbatten is in Hyderabad trying to persuade the Nizam to take a courageous and direct step which will lead to the solution of the present impasse. Lord Mountbatten is undoubtedly acting as the constitutional Governor-General of India. But he is also acting as a friend of the Nizam. It is well known that the relations between Lord Mountbatten and Sir Walter Monckton, the constitutional adviser of the Nizam, are of the most intimate character. It is mentioned here, only to reinforce the point that Lord Mountbatten is not one of those persons who could be charged with any prejudice against or hostility towards the Nizam. He seems anxious to crown his successful career in India by bringing about a friendly settlement between Hyderabad and India. For too long has the Government of Hyderabad banked on the disinclination of the Government of India to force a show-down on the Hyderabad issue. They cannot afford to subject this disinclination to any further strain. This is perhaps, the last chance the Nizam will have of achieving a peaceful solution and escaping from a situation that is daily threatening to become cataclysmic. It is to be hoped that the Nizam will no more stand on his dignity. He should give his most earnest and urgent consideration to the invitation that has been extended to him by Lord Mountbatten with the support of the Government of India which, inspite of all the provocations given to it and the Indian Union, still entertains feelings of goodwill of which it has repeatedly given proofs. It is in the hands of His Exalted Highness to render a signal service to himself, to his own people and to India as a whole. The situation is a challenge to his statesmanship. Will he prove equal to it? On the answer to that question depends the peace and progress, not only of the 15 million people of the Hyderabad State, but practically the whole of the Deccan.

Fewer Compulsory Subjects Needed

The present curriculum for the matriculation examination of the Bombay University is seriously defective. There are too many compulsory subjects ranging from Algebra and Geometry to a classical language and from History and Geography to science. Even in the late I.C.S. and now Administrative service examination there are not so many compulsory subjects. A wide choice of subjects is provided and that is why the service has proved itself so versatile. How many promising careers have been ruined and are now being ruined merely because a student has no aptitude for one of these large number of compulsory subjects. Again what is the practical utility of Algebra Geometry and a classical language like Sanskrit or Persian to a student who becomes a clerk or joins a trade or studies medicine or commerce after his matriculation examination. These and some other subjects which are compulsory for the matriculation are of no daily or common use in life and are also of no use to students going in for technical and professional courses after the matriculation examination such as law, medicine, commerce etc. And yet matriculation is the compulsory gateway to the degree and diploma courses for all these branches. In my opinion, a wide choice of subjects should be provided for the matriculation examination so that not only a full scope for individual aptitude may be available but the students may be able to choose those subjects which will be of much use to them in their future studies or careers. As things stand at present some of the most useful subjects such as arithmetic, Sanitation and Hygiene Hindi etc., do not find any place in the matriculation curriculum. It is high time we realise that our need is no longer for stereotyped clerks only. We require men to fill up all sorts of jobs in all branches of human and national activity. Let us wake up in time and realise our responsibilities.

—"REALIST".

A Port Trust Grievance

Sir,—The new entrants in the clerical grade of Engineering Department of the Bombay Port Trust are only selected from Matriculates and are put in the grade Rs. 65—Rs. 80, and naturally it takes 18 years to reach the maximum.

But the elevations of clerks from this grade to the grade of Rs. 190—300, have been particularly unhappy. Most of the men are non-Matriculates. This is at variance with the circular previously issued by the Chairman, Bombay Port Trust, insisting on the heads of the department, to Select only Matriculates for these jobs. Clerks with the requisite qualifications and with over 20 years of service are vainly waiting for a lift.

Under the above circumstances, the attention of the authorities is drawn to this irregularity and it is hoped, amends will be made soon to meet the consequent discontent.—Yours, etc.

N. D. R.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA (Reuter): A man in an Indianapolis store stumbled, hurtled down a flight of stairs, and cracked his head against the lower landing.

He was immediately arrested for using profane language.

ORISSA NEWSLETTER:

Ex-Rulers Attempt To Stifle Government

Alleged Illegal Conspiracy Outside States

(From Our Special Correspondent).

CUTTACK, (By Air Mail).—Last week was one of the busiest for the Congressmen of the Province as it was similarly busiest for some of the leading rulers of Orissa States. But on both fronts the activities have led to controversies. It was reported earlier in some of the local papers that the ex-ruling chiefs of Orissa States who are engaged in an attempt to form a Union of their own and are carrying on negotiations with the States ministry at New Delhi are also carrying on negotiations with the leaders of Pakistan and Hyderabad for getting help in their movement and have conspired to create lawlessness on a huge scale with a view to create serious difficulties on the way of the Orissa Government who are in charge of the twenty-five States since first January.

It was also alleged in the New Orissa" that the ex-rulers are utilising enormous sums of money which they had managed to take outside just before handing over their administrations to the Provincial Government in maintaining their fifth column in the Orissa Government offices and in bribing several officers and publicmen who are in key positions. It was further alleged that these ex-rulers have got their centres of activity not only in several places in Orissa and Chatisgarh territories but also outside including New Delhi and Calcultta. Their conspiracy it was said was designed not only to upset the Orissa administration but also to murder the responsible top ranking leaders of Orissa and the Orissa States. The plot which was recently unearthed by the Orissa Government and as a result of which a ban was imposed on the Union movement was said to be a part of the greater conspiracy which would come to light it was apprehended shortly.

The Pattayat Saheb of Saraikella who has been detained here under the Public Safety Act for such an allegation is reported to have filed a Habeus Corpus petition in Patna High Court which will come up for hearing on 15th May.

The Ruler of Mayurbhanj is not in his state and the Mayurbhanj Ministry is reported to have been passing through unhappy days. The state of Praja Mandal leaders do not approve the doings of the Ministry and they are reported to hold the view that the Ministry should be composed entirely with the leaders of the State Praja Mandal. In the meanwhile the fateful negotiations on the future of Kharswan and Saraikella States is going on at New Delhi and an unconfirmed report from New Delhi that the two states have finally been merged with Bihar has caused a considerable amount of disappointment here. The Orissa Government have contradicted the report as baseless and stated in a press note on May 10 that the matter was still under consideration of the Government of India and no decision has yet been reached.

CONFLICTING GROUPS

The meeting of the Working Committee of the Utkal P.C.C. was preceded by an informal meeting of some of the local Congress workers at the instance of a few members of the newly formed group inside the Congress. The meeting which was attended among others by the Orissa Premier and the ex-Revenue Minister Sri Nabakrishna Chaudhury discussed several important points affecting the Congress workers. It was felt by the speakers that the old Congress workers are neither taking keen interest in the constructive programme nor allowing the younger section of the Congressmen to do anything. It was also suggested in the meeting that the office-bearers of the P.C.C. should change giving place to young entrants.

The position on the whole does not appear to be happy. The forthcoming elections to the Utkal P.C.C. and its executive will further prove whether a change in the present P.C.C. comes for good or otherwise.

SOCIALIST CONVENTION

As many as dozen resolutions ranging from the political situation of the country down to the social upliftment of the Adibasis were adopted at the first convention of the Orissa Socialists held at Balasore last week under the presidentship of Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia. The conference urged upon the Government of Orissa to abolish the Zamindary and Gauntia systems without payment of compensation and to remove the ban imposed upon the volunteer organisations under the Public Safety Act. By another resolution the conference called upon the Orissa Government to hold elections in the twenty-five Orissa States to elect the representatives to the Orissa States Assembly and also to impress upon the Government of India the imperative need of merging the state of Mayurbhanj with the Province of Orissa. Other resolution demanded that the provisions of the Trade Union Act should be extended to the newly merged states, appointed several Committees to carry on constructive work among the Adibasis and to promote co-operative organisations and assured its co-operation to the Government in their constructive programme. Resolutions on similar lines were also adopted at a conference of the Provincial Krushak Sangh held at the same place under the presidentship of Sri Basanta Kumar Sahu following the Socialists convention.

The officers of the Orissa Ministerial services met at a conference recently at Koraput in connection with their annual session under the presidentship of the Speaker of the Orissa Assembly Hon'ble Sri Lal Mohan Patnaik where a number of resolutions were passed. Important among the resolutions were those which urged upon the Orissa Government to give effect to the recommendations of the Central Pay Commission from 1-4--1946 in toto, and to provide quarters to the members of the Federation.

Discontent among the employees of the Orissa Government Press at Cuttack is evidently taking a serious turn. It is reported the recommendations of the Special officer appointed by the Government have not yet been given effect to. The employees seem to have exhausted their patience and have communicated their desire to the authorities that unless something substantial is done in their favour they are ready to resort to a legitimate demonstration of their difficulties.

DR. MATHAI'S VISIT

The Railway Minister Dr. John Mathai, who spent a day here on his way from Madras to Calcutta was met by the representatives of the provincial Government, B.N.R. Oriya employees Union, the Orissa Chamber of Commerce and others who in their respective memorandum urging upon him to supply more wagons to Orissa, provide better employment to the Oriyas who have been utterly neglected in the B.N.R. service thus far, and to rename the B.N.R. so as to include the name of Orissa to the present name. It may be remembered that out of about 80,000 employees of the B.N.R. there are barely 5000 Oriyas most of whom are coolies in spite of the fact that Orissa stands second among the provinces where the major part of the rail line runs. The Orissa Government are reported to have urged upon the Railway Minister the urgent necessity of expanding the Railway inside the province and the newly merged states and to supply more petrol to this province.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT:

HOLLYWOOD, May 17. (Reuter): Mr. Henry Wallace, Third Party candidate for the United States Presidency, said here last night that the major task of the United Nations was to provide for immediate international control of Middle East Oil.

"The Anglo-American Trust", was at the base of the United States-Russia and Jewish-Arab discord, he said.

American recognition of the new State of Israel, he said, "must be followed by an ultimatum to the Arab Feudal Lords—who are truely puppets of Anglo-American oil—an ultimatum to lay down their arms"

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A U.P.A message from Tel Aviv says.

Hebrew newspapers here played up a remark made yesterday by Moshe Shertok, Foreign Minister of Israel, in reply to questions as to whether Israel was at war with the Arab States. "No, we are not at war", Shertok replied, "but look out the window at those Egyptian planes. Is this not war?"

The first Egyptian air raid today came at dawn. The other two were close together a few hours later. Sirens sounded and anti-aircraft guns pumped shells into the sky. The planes were driven off quickly

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WASHINGTON, May 17. (UPA): President Truman announced today that the United States has successfully tested three improved atomic weapons. He said the results "indicate a very substantial progress."

There was no indication what the improved weapons are or how they are improved. That and other details of the test remain secret.

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LAKE SUCCESS, May 17 (UPA): Russia's Andrei Gromyko today fought the majority plan for suspending the United Nations negotiations for internal atomic energy control today asserting that an agreement was possible "but the United States does not want it".

He said Russia would bargain on the atomic control question only in the United Nations. He advised the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission to continue its two-year-old attempt to break the East-West deadlock over the atomic problem.

"We have a deep conviction," said Gromyko in reference to the majority move to break off the atomic talks "that such procedure will complicate the work of the United Nations.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Wise Decision

According, says a Baroda message, to information received by the President of the Baroda Prajamandal from New Delhi full agreement has been reached between the Government of Baroda and the Prajamandal in respect of the deadlock over the appointment of a popular Prime Minister to head the Interim Government of Baroda. The deadlock, it will be recalled, arose out of the refusal of the Gaekwar to accept for the post of Prime Minister, Dr. Jivaraj Mehta who was recommended by the Prajamandal. The trouble became prolonged involving mediatory intervention by Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and the States Ministry. And according to a recent report even that intervention had failed against the adamantine stand of the Maharaja and his Government. We are glad to learn, therefore, that even though after long and unnecessary resistance, better and wiser counsels have at last prevailed and the Maharaja has bowed before the will of the people. This is as it should be. In the changed situation democracy must prevail over autocracy and the Gaekwar of Baroda deserves to be congratulated on orienting himself, however belatedly, to the circumstances and demands of new, democratic India.

The Russian Example

So much has been said about the I.N.T.U.C. being Congress-inspired and Government-helped that it is worth looking at Soviet Russia's technique with trade unions. First, it scarcely needs saying that Soviet Russia does not allow any trade union that is not Communist in its politics. Then, as Mr. V. V. Kuznetsov, Chairman of the Central Union of Trade Unions, has observed in his report on Collective Agreements, the task of the Unions in fulfilling these "collective agreements" is to carry out honourably the duties imposed on them by the Central Committee of the Bolshevik Party and "our great leader, Stalin". Nothing is said about wages in these agreements, since wages are fixed by Government. And, since Mr. Kuznetsov has declared that the workers by the agreements have pledged themselves to fulfil the Five Year Plan in four years, it follows that they are asked to work more in order to earn the same salaries which they were getting before 1947. Evidently, this is not an agreement after the heart of all workers, because we are told, "it is necessary to include in the collective agreements for 1948 provisions requiring the widespread use of new forms of socialist competition and the greatest possible support for workers who pledge themselves to earlier completion of the Five Year Plan." Thus, the Soviet worker has only now reached a stage where something more is required than the fear of State punishment for failure to come up to scratch. It is not improbable that the original framers of these Five Year Plans will be suitably dealt with for underestimating the capacity of the noble Russian worker, under the guidance of "our great leader Stalin". Should the subservient unions develop the visible germ of independence, then it will have to be the four year revisionists who will be liquidated by a State which cannot suffer two conflicting views.

Too Much And Not Enough

The "Hindustan Times" in a recent issue draws attention to the bad new ways that are to be seen in Delhi's Secretariat. The withdrawal of British and Pakistan-opting officials having left a gap, promotions have been very rapid both in the civil and military services. This has also happened in Pakistan but there the promotions have not meant higher pay. The result of this prodigality at Delhi is that Joint Secretaries who have put in only ten or twelve years' service, and Deputy Secretaries who have only done 8 years, are quite common in the Secretariat. Formerly a Joint Secretary had 20 years' experience at least and a Deputy Secretary represented the consolidated wisdom of at least 12 years. This in itself should be proof enough that as a nation we are paying more and getting less; but the "Hindustan Times" has worse in store. It writes, "One of the disadvantages is that, when an officer with 10 or 12 years' service draws the salary of a Joint Secretary which is about Rs. 3,000, he has nothing to look forward to in the way of promotion, and will have little incentive for work for the remaining 20 years of service." To us unsophisticated Bombayites, the prospect of drawing Rs. 3,000 at the end of the month would be incentive enough. But Delhi has higher hopes. Incidentally what happens to the Pays Commission's recommendation fixing the maximum official salary at Rs 2,000 a month?

The Social Angle

There is another side which the "Hindustan Times" has overlooked, no doubt, also by accident. What will be the effect on Indian society of these large salaries that come too soon? In the good old days, few Indians rose to Rs. 3,000 before they were 55 and then retirement stared them in the face. Owing to short purses and large families—the man would have become a grandfather several times over, with perhaps the responsibility of supporting married daughters and their husbands as well—they were kept to the straight and narrow path of rectitude, their sole adventure the daily trip from the home to the Secretariat and back. Now men at 42 or less are enjoying salaries which their fathers and their fathers' fathers did not see. The picture is terrifying. It opens up a whole vista of clubs and cinemas, cabarets and clothes. The years of simplicity give way to the days of opulence. And one shudders to think of the effect on the women in officers' homes. Where the lady of the house attended to her own house-work, she will probably now employ a troop of lackeys, and her leisure will all go between Mah Jong and Bridge, novels and gossip. Definitely something must be done and done now. Already the mischief has worked its way. In the light of these facts and speculations, the other problems that trouble our leaders are mere child's play. Once again, Pakistan has scored over India and escaped these awful consequences. Where it has to pay high, it hires British personnel.

The Basic Trouble

Immediately after the publication of the Bedell Smith-Molotov notes and before the whole affair became a fiasco, Mr. Henry Wallace addressed an open letter to M Stalin recommending acceptance of the U. S. "offer" and making certain proposals as the basis of international peace and understanding. According to a Moscow report, Soviet commentators have welcomed Mr. Wallace's proposals, but not all of these proposals. And they praise his "realistic and logical" approach only while not agreeing with several of his assertions. We have no doubt that, if pressed, United States statesmen will welcome Mr. Wallace's suggestions similarly making reservations in the interests of their own position. That is the basic trouble with international negotiations. Peace and understanding demand of each party the sacrifice by it of certain of its own interests. It is not willing to do so because such surrender militates against its unilateral conception of national interests and national sovereignty. This was at the bottom of the failure of all efforts to achieve understanding over arms and to place the Atom under effective international control. Incidentally, it was one of the main proposals made by Mr. Henry Wallace. No international understanding is possible unless big powers modify their Nationalist and self-regarding conceptions.

MADRAS FAVOURS REGIONAL INDUSTRIAL PLANNING

Calcutta Merchants Complain About Communications Services

MADRAS, May 17. (A.P.I.): The Madras Industrial Planning Committee in their report submitted to the Government published to-day have expressed the view that any plan for the industrial development of the Province should be formulated in such a way as to co-ordinate with those of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin States.

The Committee for this purpose have suggested the summoning of a conference of the Four Governments to take stock of the industrial potentialities of the respective territories and evolve co-ordinated plans for further industrial advancement.

PRIORITY PROBLEM.

The Committee feel that priority should be given to industries which directly or indirectly assist agricultural operations. They have clarified that in the industrial frame-work of the Province, there should be a very large percentage of small industries, the Mysore system of management of industrial concerns being adopted in Madras with as few modifications as possible.

The Committee have urged that a number of thermal units should be installed in places where new industries are proposed to be started. "Nursery power stations" should be established to help rural and agricultural development, including development of cottage industries. Here too the Committee have stressed that the development of the electrical resources of the Madras Province must be co-ordinated with those of the adjacent States of Mysore, Travancore and Cochin and at a later time with the system of Orissa and Hyderabad.

OTHER INDUSTRIES

Other recommendations of the Committee include the starting of an automobile industry in Madras, the opening of a central factory to manufacture electrical generators in Mysore in which the Madras and other Governments should have joint interests, a transformer factory at Mettur and another for the production of cables in Madras.

The Committee have also urged the starting of an aircraft service to save the industrial requirements of the interior regions in the Province and the development of minor sea ports. They add that Government should sponsor trade delegations to foreign countries to explore the possibilities of inter-commerce.

Nationalisation Of Transport

Though the Government of Madras is committed to the policy of nationalising bus transport in the Province, it will not be possible to complete the programme in the next four or five years, said Mr. Kala Venkata Rao Revenue Minister, inaugurating the second anniversary celebrations of the T. V. S. Motor Workers Union last evening.

Mr. Venkata Rao declared that private managements of certain of the bus routes would have to continue for some years more.

The Ministers advised the transport workers in this province to seek improvement of their lot through arbitration and conciliation and not by a resort to strikes.

Communications Services

CALCUTTA, May 17 (A.P.I.): Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, Minister for Communications Government of India, who arrived in Calcutta on Saturday, received a deputation of Marwari Chamber of Commerce this morning.

The representatives of the Chamber had a frank discussion with the Minister on the need for an early improvement in postal communications, efficient service on the trunk telephone lines and the feasibility of adopting short-term measures for the betterment of the local telephone system pending the installation of automatic exchanges.

The Minister gave them a sympathetic hearing and assured them that constant efforts were being made for effecting an all-round improvement in postal, telegraphic and telephone communications.

The question of nationalisation of airways was also discussed.

The Communications Minister later visited the Post-Master General's office and the Calcutta Telephone Exchange. He also received high officials of the Post and Telegraph Department in Calcutta.

In the afternoon, the Minister inspected the telegraph workshop at Alipore rounding up the day's programme with an informal discussion with the Ministers of the Government of West Bengal at the Writers Buildings where, in the absence of the Premier, he was received by the Home Minister Mr Kiron Sankar Roy. Other Ministers who participated in the meeting were Messrs. Niharendu Dutt-Mazumdar, Harendra Nath Chowdhury, Bimal Chandra Sinha and Bhupati Majumdar.

Mr. Kidwai is leaving for Delhi by air to-morrow morning.

Toll Of Marseilles Disturbances

PARIS, May 17. (Reuter: The death roll in a pitched battle which broke out on Saturday night at Labour Camp for Indo-Chinese workers at Mazargues outside Marseilles rose today to four.

Of the Sixty wounded six were on the danger list. A Police inquiry instituted when order was restored in the camp yesterday established that the disturbance was caused by political differences between a group of about 1,500 and a small group about 100 strong.

Police summoned to the camp found a battle raging and the gates barricaded.

They uncovered a large quantity of revolvers, knives, sickles and truncheons.

Bevin Road Will Lead Britain To War!

SCARBOROUGH, (Yorkshire), May 17. (Reuter): The British Labour Party today refused to hear a speech by Mr. John Platts-Mills, recently expelled from the party as chief instigator of the telegram of good wishes sent by 37 labour members of Parliament to the Nenni Socialists supporting the Communists in the Italian elections.

Mr. Platts-Mills now sits in the House of Commons as an Independent.

Afterwards Mr. Platts-Mills gave the press a copy of the speech he had intended to make.

In it Mr. Platts-Mills attacked British Foreign Minister Mr. Ernest Bevin.

"Britain is in an economic crisis. We could solve that crisis if it were not for Mr. Bevin. His foreign policy makes it impossible for us to solve it", he said.

Mr. Bevin's policy means war. Today it is Indonesia, Greece, Palestine.

"There is no end to Mr. Bevin's road. Unless we change his policy it is war for us tomorrow.

"Mr. Bevin does not want a settlement with the Soviet Union. And because he does not want and will not honestly work for such a settlement he has put Britain on the road to war".

LATEST POSITION ON S. I. RAILWAY

MADRAS, May 17 (API): Normal train service has now been introduced on the Mayavaram-Tranquebar, Tanjore Nagore and Nidamangalam-Mannargudi sections as a result of the entire crew of Mayavaram and Tanjore depots having rejoined duty, says a Press Communique issued by the General Manager South Indian Railway today. Restricted passenger service is maintained on other branch lines.

On the meter guage main line, No. 9 Trivandrum Passenger was combined with No. 15 Madura Parcel Passenger and No. 25 Trichi Express was combined with No. 5 Trivandrum Express. No. 10 Trivandrum Passenger was combined with No 16 Madura Parcel Passenger.

On account of a number of engine crews at Quilon having struck work, the shuttle service between Shencottai and Trivandrum and between Virudhunagar and Shencottah had to be suspended and further running of No. 9 Trivandrum Passenger which left Madras (Egmore) on the 15th instant had to be cancelled at Shencottah.

On the Broad Gauge system it has been found necessary to restrict the local passenger servic and to suspend the passenger service on the Salem Mettur Dam section consequent on the running staff at Salem having struck work.

The position at Erode remains unaltered.

STOP PRESS

GOOD CROP OUTLOOK

WASHINGTON, May 17 (UPA): The Agriculture Department reported today that in the early May crop the outlook continued to be good throughout Europe and the Soviet Union. The report said if favourable conditions predominate in the coming months, the European 1948 wheat and rye production may well surpass that of 1946. It said, however, that it would still be about one-fifth under the pre-war average.

CHAIM WEIZMANN

NEW YORK, May 17 (Reuter) : Dr. Chaim Weizmann, newly-elected president of the Provisional Council of Israel, said today in a statement of acceptance of office; "I pray that the struggle forced upon us will speedily end".

'BIG FIVE FAIL TO REACH AGREEMENT

LAKE SUCCESS May 17 (Reuter): A private meeting of the "Big Five" powers here today failed to reach agreement on the choice of a United Nations mediator for Palestine.

NO BRITISH RECOGNITION OF HAIFFA.

LONDON, May 17. (Reuter): Britain will not recognise the New Jewish State in Palestine as long as the military situation is as fluid as at present, it was learned here today, cables Reuter's diplomatic correspondent. A foreign office spokesman denied that any request for recognition had been received from Mr. Moshe Shertok, the Jewish Foreign Minister.

The Spokesman denied reports that Britain was contemplating the appointment of political agents in Tel Aviv and Haifa.

'RED' OFFENSIVE.

SHANGHAI, May 17. (Reuter): Communist armies now in the fifth day of their offensive in south Jehol began an all-out attack to-day against Pingchuan, 35 miles north-east of Changteh, provincial capital of Jehol.

TRIP ACROSS ATLANTIC LIFEBOAT.

LONDON, May 17. (U.P.A.): Four Londoners to-day announced plans for a 30-day non-stop trip across the Atlantic to New York in a 32-foot "unsinkable and capsize proof" lifeboat. The quartet expects to leave from Falmouth, June 1, and plan to live on dehydrated foods.

CONTROL OF ATOMIC ENERGY.

LAKE SUCCESS, May 17. (U.P.A.): The United Nations Atomic Energy Commission voted 9 to 2 to-day to break off the two-year-old negotiations for an international programme of world atomic control until Russia accepts the majority supported United States control plan.

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SHANKAR ACHUT and BABU VISARAB of Multani Hindu Hotel, Gokhale Road. Dadar were convicted and sentenced to pay fines of Rs. 200 or, two months' simple imprisonment in default and Rs. 100 or, one month's simple imprisonment in default repectively for supplying more than two courses of meals.

PROTEST AGAINST GREEK MASS EXECUTION

BELGRADE, May 17, (Reuter): Yugoslavia has protested to Greece against "the new mass executions of patriotic Greeks".

The executions were described in a note handed to the Greek Government by the Yugoslav Charge d'Affairs in Athens as "an act of brutal terrorism against patriotic elements who shed their blood in the common struggle of the Allied nations".

A similar protest was delivered in Athens at the end of last week by the Soviet Charge d'Affairs.

GENERAL KALWANT SINGH HONOURED

NEW DELHI, May 17, (A.P.I.): On the vacation of command of Jak force by Major-General Kalwant Singh, his name has been brought to the notice of the Hon'ble Defence Minister for gallant and distinguished service in Jammu and Kashmir operations, says a press note. Major-General Kalwant Singh was associated with these operations from the very beginning, and their success so far has been greatly due to his ability as a commander.

FOOD MINISTERS TOUR IN S. INDIA

MADRAS, May 17, (A.P.I.): Mr. Jairamdas Daulatram, Food Minister, Government of India, who has programmed a six-day tour in the deficit districts of the Madras Province to get a clear picture of the food situation, will arrive in Madras city on May 19. It is officially announced today. Besides visiting some of the interior villages in Chingelput, Madura, Tinnevelly, Trichinopoly and Ramnad, the Food Minister will proceed to Trivandrum and Cochin. He will return to Delhi on May 26. The Provincial Foodminister, Dr. T.S.S. Rajan, and food and civil supplies officials will also accompany the Dominion Minister.

Manavadar Manager's Welcome Decision

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, May 17: Mr. Y. G. Maru, Manager of Manavadar State, has recently restored 500 acres of cultivable land at Bantwa to the rightful owners, much in the same manner as at Bardoli, where large areas of arable land, forfeited during the historic Satyagraha struggle inaugurated by Mahatma Gandhi, were returned to the dispossessed cultivators. The village areas at Bantwa had been sold by the outgoing Manavadar State Government to the Memons of Bantwa under the pretext of relieving the hypertrophy of Bantwa by adopting the town extension scheme.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON (JULY)

NEW YORK, May 17.

Previous closing	.....	37.74
Today's opening	....	37.74
Difference	.....	Nil
Today's closing	.....	37.58
Difference	.....	—.16

LAST QUOTATIONS

Silver Bullion forward	Rs.	172	8
Silver chamber		172	8
Gold forward		116	4
Sovereign		74	8

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, May 17

Opening prices:
Anaconda Copper Mining 38-7/8.
General Motors 59-5/8.
United States Steel Common 80-3/8.
Preference unquoted.

HAPUR MARKET RATES

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, May 17

Silver forward 173/6; Touched 173/1; opened 174/2; yesterday closed 172/-.

Gold forward 116/4; opened 116/8; yesterday closed 116/8; Bearish on poor speculative interest.

Gur Fagan 10/14/2; opened 10/13; yesterday closed 10/6/6; Baisakh 10/6; ready 11/-; Shakkar 12/-; quiet.

Oats ready Jeth 7/11/6; yesterday closed 7/11/6; bearish.

Bardana Asar 89/8; June 109/8; Ready Wheat 17/-; Gram 12/-; Bareley 10/-; Maize 8/12; Bajra 9/-; Juwar 9/-; Peas Ready 10/2; Jeth 9/12; Arhar ready 10/6; Jeth 10/-; Urdk 18/8; Moong 15/8; Masoor 13/-; stead Prices improved on very disappointing arrivals.

Sarson ready 21/8; Jeth 19/2; Tarasee 18/-; to 16/-; Fairly steady. Poor arrivol.

Oilcake 8/-; Groundnut 12/-; Cotton-seed 11/- to 14.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, May 17

Market ruled quiet. Arvind opened 1730; highest 1736; lowest 1719; closed 1721.

Ambika opened 435; highest 439; lowest 433; closed 438.

Calico opened 1343; highest 1344; lowest 1329; closed 1335.

Deffered opened 1698; highest 1700; lowest 1670; closed 1670.

Closing quotations: Arvind 1721; Ambika 438; Calico 1335; Marsdon 198; Monogram 185; Deffered 1670; Old Commercial 870; Ashok 755 National 1800; New Cotton 557-8; Nutan (XD) 622-8.

Battle For Better Wages

More Workers Threaten To Down Tools In America

NEW YORK, May 17. (U.P.A.): More workers threatened to strike to-day in the automobile industry as organized labour fought for its third round of wage increases since the war. About 225,000 workers are on strike in the automobile, meat packing, aviation, brewing, printing and other industries. A possible settlement of the meat strike brightened the picture, however.

CLASH WITH 'BLACK, LEGS'

DETRIOT: The C.I.O. United Auto Workers Union threatened to-day to extend its strike action, presently idling 75,000 Chrysler Corporation employees, to include 225,000 General Motors Corporation workers unless its wage demands are met by May 25.

The threat was marked by a clash on the Chrysler picket line this morning in suburban Highland Park where massed strikers prevented automobiles loaded with non-strikers from entering the plant. Car windows were smashed and police asked the company to close the plant gates.

The Union warned General Motors that members would be called out of over 90 G.M plants unless a new contract agreement is reached.

MEAT PRICES ZOOM

CHICAGO: Meat prices have zoomed sharply in 62 days since the strike of the C.I.O. Packinghouse Workers' Union cuts off a large share of the nation's meat production, a survey showed to-day.

However, there was no way of telling how much of the price boost was caused by the strike and how much was caused by normal market fluctuations.

The survey conducted by United Press of America bureaus in 20 cities, showed that on an average across the nation various cuts of meat have climbed from 10 to 20 per cent. Some cities reported rises of as much as 40 per cent. The survey compared the prices to-day to those of March 11. The Packinghouse workers struck March 16.

QUARTER MILLION BRITONS APPLY

CANBERRA, May 17. (Reuter): Two hundred and fifty thousand Britons wishing to emigrate to Australia applied for passage at Australia House in London during the first four months of this year, Mr. Arthur Calwell, Australian Minister for immigration, announced today.

MERCHANT FLEET FOR AMERICA

WASHINGTON, May 17. (U.P.A.): President Earl Shreve of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States on Sunday called for "vigorous action" to build up the nation's merchant fleet.

He issued a statement in connection with the observance of National Maritime Day May 22.

Shreve said, "Twice within recent memory the security of the United States has been gravely threatened by lack of an adequate merchant marine. We cannot again allow our merchant shipping to become the weak link in national security."

President Truman recently asked Congress to vote about dol 60,000,000 in additional funds for the Maritime Commission during the coming fiscal year to stimulate cargo and passenger ship building.

Princess Elizabeth

PARIS, May 17, (Reuter): Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh left the bright Boulevards of Paris behind them today and drove under cloudless skies to the forest town and palace of Fontainebleau—hunting grounds of French kings and scene of Napoleon's abdication.

PENALISE VICTIMISATION: LIMIT PROFITS

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in Delhi and assured the Government of its complete adherence to the truce, offering fullest co-operation in the drive for increasing production. An amendment to the resolution which was also passed unanimously, stated that in case the employers violated the terms of the truce, the workers would be free to take recourse to any policy they might like.

By another resolution the INTUC suggested the following steps to facilitate the implementation of the resolution on industrial truce: the appointment of an expert committee charged with the function of fixing wages on a fair and equitable basis, evolving a scheme whereby labour could share in the profits of industry; the adoption of legislative measures providing for negotiation, conciliation and arbitration to resolve industrial disputes; the immediate setting up of Works Committees and Production Committees: and the setting up of suitable machinery by the Central and Provincial Governments to watch the progress of implementation of the truce and report cases of violation.

The conference urged Government to amend the Industrial Disputes Act so as to make retrenchment or dismissal by way of victimisation an offence under the Act. It was further urged to constitute permanent tribunals under the Act to settle labour disputes in Government-owned industries.

The Government was also asked to amend the Factories Act in such a way as to enable workers to get fourteen days leave with pay instead of ten days as at present.

Dilemma For U.S Army Officials

WASHINGTON, May 17. (U.P.A.): High Army officials today faced the problem of deciding whether to dishonour the legal contract or help to build up Russia's war potential.

The contract, signed several months ago by the United States occupation officials in western Germany, calls for delivery of 50,000 tons of steel scrap on its hands in Germany. Czechoslovakia was still a free country and the Skoda Works was being converted to a peacetime output of tractors and railroad cars. The Czechs agreed to supply food and raw materials badly needed in Germany. Then came the communist 'coup'. The army which had delivered about 7,000 tons of scrap immediately halted the shipments. Occupation officials in Germany are marking time until policy-makers here decide what to do about the contract.

Egypt's Ban On Night Flying Affects B.O.A.C.

KARACHI, May 17. (A. P. I.): Following the ban by the Egyptian Government on night flying in Egypt by aircraft between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. the B. O. A. C. service from India and Pakistan to the United Kingdom are affected.

It is understood that amended schedules are being worked out so that aircraft will pass through Egypt during daylight hours.

OTHER SERVICES

Other air services are also affected. It is learnt that K. L. M. (Dutch) west-bound services will leave Karachi at midnight every day, instead of 7 p.m. so that the Constellations will land at Cairo at breakfast time (local) instead of early hours of the morning.

Kolhapur Ruler To Meet Sardar Patel

KOLHAPUR, May 17 (A.P.I.) : The Maharaja of Kolhapur will meet Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Minister for States and have discussions with him at Mussorie on May 20, it was authoritatively learnt tonight.

Informed circles here attach great significance to this meeting and expect these discussions would provide a pointer to the political future of this premier State in the Deccan with particular reference to the issue of its merger with the Bombay Province.

Laurels For I.N.T.U.C. President

LUCKNOW, May 17 (IPA)—Indian Press Association understands from political quarters that Mr. Harihar Nath Sastri, President, Indian National Trade Union Congress, is likely to succeed Mr. Jagjiwan Ram as Labour Minister in the Nehru Cabinet, when the latter is nominated as Assam Governor.

Though there is speculation about Sir Akbar Hydari, present Assam Governor, going over to West Bengal, reliable circles consider it impracticable because West Bengal would not accept a Muslim as its Governor. Sir Akbar Hydari may go over to Madras from which Province he originally hails and from where he was transferred as a civilian.

India-Japan Air Link

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, May 17.

Government of India are negotiating with the Pan American Airways for an airlink with Japan I learn. The negotiations include carriage of mails as well.

Disciplinary Action Against 200 U. P. Congressmen

LUCKNOW, May 17. (A.P.I.): Names of about 200 Congressmen who had opposed official Congress candidates in the last District Board elections have been forwarded to the U.P.C.C. for disciplinary action by six District Congress Committees.

Their names will be placed before the Council of the U.P.C.C. which meets here on May 20.

WEATHER IN MADRAS CITY

MADRAS, May 17, (A.P.I.): The Madras City continued the experience very hot weather today. The temperature recorded at the observatory at 3 p.m. today was 109.7 degrees as against yesterday's maximum of 108.4.

The highest temperature on record for the Madras city is 113 degrees, which was reached on May 25, 1910.

Recovery Of Abducted Women

NEW DELHI, May 17. (A. P. I.): Reports received from East Punjab regarding the recovery of abducted women indicate that from December 6 to May 8 the number of Muslim women recovered from East Punjab and East Punjab States is 8,088 as against 4,091 non-Muslim women recovered from Western Pakistan.

Neo-Fascists Clash With Left-Wingers

ROME, May 17. (Reuter): Four people were hurt when neo-Fascists clashed with left-wing sympathisers near Rome's Jewish quarter late last night.

The neo-Fascists, members of the Italian Social Movement, were accused by the left-wing group of having shouted anti-Communist slogans. Anti-Jewish riots broke out in the same area last month when gangs of neo-Fascists paraded through the streets of Rome's ghetto, beating up Jews and singing Fascist songs.

WAR ACADEMY FOR PAKISTAN

No Plans Yet Due To Prohibitive Cost, Says Liaquat Ali

KARACHI, May 17 (API): Pakistan's Premier and Defence Minister Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, replying to a question in the Pakistan Parliament today said the Government had decided not to pursue the question of establishing a National War Academy for the present in view of the high cost involved. According to one estimate he said the capital cost would come to eleven crores and sixty lakhs. The Pakistan Military Academy had however been established to train the cadets for the army.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan, Minister for Refugees and Rehabilitation, replying to a question on the recovery of abducted women said: "I am satisfied that the Government of India are sincerely trying to carry out the inter-Dominion agreement on the restoration of abducted women and children". He however, described as "hostile" the Alwar State's attitude towards the question.

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan disclosed that upto April 30 1948 6,470 abducted Muslim women had been recovered from different places in India. He placed the total figure of abducted Muslim women at about 50,000.

Nationalisation Without Democracy Is Not Socialism

Shinwell Criticises Govt. Handling Of British Coal Mines

SCARBOROUGH YORKSHIRE May 17. (Reuter): War Minister Emanuel Shinwell, Chairman of the Labour Party National Executive criticised Government handling of the nationalised British coal mines at the annual party conference here today. He told the conference: "Nationalisation without democracy is not socialism".

"This is an obligation on the state to ensure that nationalisation provides more than a change in the mechanism of industry and the removal of the bugbear of private ownership.

"The state must also retain the over-riding responsibility for ensuring the finest conditions of labour, for guaranteeing that consumers of the product or users of the service will have fair treatment, and above all for insisting that administration is conducted not as between masters and men but in a spirit of full partnership."

NEW PATTERN OF LIVING

Mr. Shinwell called for a complete overhaul of Britain's industrial equipment.

"Research and science must cooperate with industry in a nationwide effort to raise production to the maximum which can assist in removing for all time the problem of scarcity", he said.

Calling for the creation of a "new pattern of living" Mr Shinwell said: "Away with idle dreaming above all away with acquiescence in outward economic maxims. We refuse to be embedded for ever in a sickening social and economic quagmire"

RELATIONS WITH RUSSIA

Speaking of Britain's relations with Russia, Mr Shinwell said:

"I am proud to say that this party has always sought to give the vast social experiment in the Soviet Union our support and to defend Soviet Russia when menaced even in its earliest days.

"We recall with pride the epic of Stalingrad, the valour and endurance of our Russian Commander. We rejoice in the knowledge that our own endurance and the contribution of our own workers and soldiers helped to sustain our ally through grim trial to glorious triumph."

NATIONAL MILITIA GOES TO KASHMIR FRONT

SRINAGAR, May 17. (A. P. I.): Two platoons of the Kashmir National Militia have been despatched to the front this week to fight along with the Indian Army against the raider.

Before they left for the front, the militiamen were addressed by Sheikh Mohammad Abdullah, Prime Minister of Jammu and Kashmir. He said: "The National Militia was formed at a time when the enemy was advancing towards Srinagar and the Indian army soldiers were not present here in sufficient numbers. At that time you did a marvellous work in fighting the enemy at various places and in maintaining the internal security of the country. Since then you have grown in number and efficiency. You are receiving political as well as military training from the workers of the National Conference and the Indian army respectively. I am sure you will not be found lacking in courage and discipline even when you are confronted with heavy odds".

20 RAIDERS KILLED & MANY WOUNDED

JAMMU, May 17. (A.P.I.): An Indian army patrol captured a hill feature North-East of Jhangar after stiff fighting in which 20 raiders were killed, many wounded, and some taken prisoner. Two defensive positions of the raiders on the approaches to the ridge were also reduced and occupied.

Our mortar fire dispersed a party of armed raiders seen moving South-West of Jhangar.

Another party of raiders, who opened fire on an Indian army patrol South-West of Ramgarh in the Suchetgarh area, suffered 20 casualties seven killed and 13 wounded, when our patrol returned fire.

South of Poonch, some snipers set fire to the nearby jungle and approached Indian army positions under cover of smoke. They were engaged by our artillery and dispersed.

Our troops effectively engaged and dispersed raiders observed digging bunkers on a hill feature west of Poonch.

Arab Armies Poised For Dash Towards Jaffa

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clear who has the real influence among the Arabs to order a cease fire.

PALESTINE BATTLES

"Reuter" reports add:—

Egyptian forces were today reported within 35 miles of Jaffa, Arab Seaport adjoining Tel Aviv, on the third day of the five-front Arab invasion of the Holy Land. Arab planes raided Tel Aviv for the third successive day.

King Abdullah's Arab Legion, driving into Palestine from the east, are waiting for the Egyptians to link up from the South, according to an Egyptian war correspondent with the Transjordan forces, before attacking Tel Aviv, temporary Capital of the new Jewish State of Israel.

Jaffa, normally the biggest all-Arab City in Palestine, surrendered to the Jews last week. The main body of the Arab Legion was last reported in the Jericho area, about 45 miles from Jaffa and 60 miles from the advance units of the Egyptian forces.

Cairo reports of the Egyptian advance — so far unconfirmed — stated that the spearhead of the units advancing along the Coast Road have reached Majdal, about 35 miles from Jaffa, and 13 miles beyond Gaza, where Egyptian Operational Headquarters have been set up.

FIRST REAL TEST AHEAD

Only sporadic fighting was said to have been encountered so far, but beyond Majdal the Egyptians were expecting the "first real test of strength" when they reach the belt of fortified Jewish Settlements ahead of them.

Although there are no war correspondents with the Egyptian forces, the Cairo newspaper "Al-Ahram" today carried a report from its reporter nearest to the fighting line.

Confirming that the Egyptians were "under forty miles from Jaffa", he added that Jaffa was their next objective.

In the far north, Syrian forces, advancing from the northeast, and Iraqi columns, coming from the east, have linked up, according to an Arab "communique" issued in Damascus.

Arab forces, the "communique" said continued to press the Jews in the Samakh area, at the southern tip of the sea of Galilee, and to attack Jewish Settlements in the area.

On the Lebanese front in the north, Haganah claimed today that a Jewish commando unit had raided ten miles inside Lebanese territory by night, blowing up an important bridge over the Litani River west of Marjayoun, on the road leading into the northern "thumb" of Palestine.

While Cairo reported that Egyptain planes had been attacking Tel Aviv since dawn, Reuter's Tel Aviv correspondent cabled that there were two attacks on the city this morning.

In the first, two planes dropped six bombs, apparently intended for the port. Anti-aircraft fire was weak.

Reacting to the three days raids on Tel Aviv, the "Voice of Israel" new broadcasting station of the Jewish State, today warned Egypt and other Arab States invading Palestine that they would be attacked from the air.

In Cairo, the Egyptian Defence Ministry today banned all night flying and said that plans disregarding the order would be fired on by anti-aircraft guns.

This move, coupled with the current testing of air raid sirens, indicates fear of Jewish reprisal raids, Reuter's Cairo Correspondent cabled.

The ban operates over all Egypt, and will affect civil air lines whose planes cross Egyptian territory in the dark.

AMERICAN ARMS FOR JEWS

As the Israel Government awaited indications whether or not President Truman intends to lift the ban on shipments of arms to the Middle East, Mr. Isac Bawly, Jewish Controller of Supplies, said some arms shipments were on the way to Palestine.

Egypt today informed the Big Powers that arms shipments destined for the zionists would be confiscated and gave warning that Palestine territorial waters were considered "dangerous" to foreign ships.

Polish Protest To Egypt

CAIRO, May 17. (Reuter): The Polish Minister today lodged an official protest with the Egyptian Foreign Minister against the bombing of a Polish ship at Tel Aviv by Egyptian planes, and demanded indemnity.

This is the first "international incident" reported in the three-day-old hostilities in Palestine.

Iraq Will Fight To Last

BAGHDAD, May 17. (Reuter): Iraqi Ministers pledged to-day that the Iraqi army, with other Arab armies, would fight to the last man to "rescue Palestine" irrespective of the nature and extent of foreign support for Israel.

The Prime Minister, Sayid Mohammed Al-Sadr, the Foreign Minister, Nasrat Al-Farisi, and the Minister of the Interior Mustafa Umari, each told Reuter to-day of their regret at United States "haste" in recognising the Jewish State. "It is a matter of life and death and we are staking our existence on this fight" they declared.

The Prime Minister added: "We pray it may be a short war."

Palestine Jews, he declared, would enjoy the same rights and privileges as Arabs when peace was restored.

The Prime Minister was reluctant to discuss at present the implications of American recognition of the Jewish State, but he insisted that whether or not that decision was taken in a mood of "nervous uncertainty" it would in no way affect the course of the Arab crusade".

JEWISH AREA BOMBED.

The Iraqi High Command said in a communique issued here to-night "the Iraqui royal air force heavily bombed the Jewish settlements of Kishr Biet Yousif and Mejda. Fires were seen in the settlements.

"Our armoured cars and tanks occupied the Jewish settlement of Kishr and its station. Jews defending Kishr fled into barracks where they are now subject to heavy shelling which is causing heavy damage".

6 RAILWAY WORKERS ARRESTED

MADURA May 17. (A.P.I.): Six mill hands who were arrested in the early hours of this morning in the railway colony area on charge of intimidating railway employees from going to duty were produced before Bench Magistrate Court today. They were each fined Rs 10 and were bound over for six months to keep good behaviour.

WAIT A MOMENT!!!

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RECOMMENDATION OF FAMINE INQUIRY COMMISSION

Report On Progress Made So Far By Central And Provincial Governments

NEW DELHI, May 18.

Progress so far made by the Central and Provincial Governments, in implementing the recommendations of the Famine Inquiry Commission, is described in a Report issued by the Ministry of Food today.

In their Final Report published in September, 1945, the Famine Inquiry Commission examined the problem of food shortage in India and made recommendations which cover practically the whole field of development of agriculture, husbandry, etc.

The recommendations of the Commission were intended to provide a basis for a large-scale attempt to increase the production of food and to raise the standards of nutrition in India with a view to removing the recurring threat of scarcity and famine The implementation of these recommendations rested with the Ministries concerned of the Central, Provincial and State Governments.

The present report, released for publication by the Food Ministry, is a consolidated progress report showing the action which has been taken or is proposed to be taken by the various authorities.

In this report, the recommendations have been numbered in a continuous series and the progress achieved so far has been briefly indicated against each recommendation. The activities of Provincial Governments have also been briefly described subjectwise.

Copies of the report will be available on payment shortly from the Manager of Publications, Delhi.

REPUBLICNS ACTIVE VISITS NIGHT CLUB

TOULOUSE (FRANCE), (I. P. S.): Anti-Franco forces in America, Britain and France are active again. The leader of the Spanish anti-Franco "Common Front" "Undaiocio Prioto" has returned from an American tour after enlisting the sympathies of the democratic forces there. He is conferring with Spanish Socialists in France very shortly. While in England enroute he had seen Mr. Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary. It is stated that Franco is manoeuvring to get the inclusion of Spain in the Marshal E. R. P. plan but Mr. Bevin is stoutly opposed, it is said, for inclusion of Spain unless Franco regime is overthrown and a people's Government is set up.

RESTORING JAPAN'S ECONOMY

Govt.'s Five-Year Plan

TOKYO, May 17, (Reuter): The Japanese Government today announced a five-year plan designed to restore the country's economy to pre-war level by 1952.

The plan, which was prepared by the Economic Stabilisation Board, emphasised that Japan's recovery would be greatly dependent upon foreign capital. This was especially important in the revival of major industries.

The present inflation would have to be subdued in the first half of the five-year period without leaving effects menacing economic stability the board stated. It also listed as necessary for economic rehabilitation the restoration of free exchange of foreign currencies and early solution of problems connected with power, supply and transport.

U. S. ARMY TO RECRUIT PUBLIC INFORMATION SPECIALISTS

WASHINGTON, May 16 (UPA)—The Army announced plans today for recruiting a corps of public information specialists.

One hundred "highly qualified men" will be offered a chance to enlist this summer for training in "all of the journalistic radio and public information work", it said.

The plan is to make public information a regular army career. Enlistees must sign up for three year hitches. They will be trained in the regular offices of newspapers, radio and television stations. After their training, the men will be assigned to army public information jobs throughout the world.

Eisenhower Urged To Accept Nomination

NEW YORK, May 16 (UPA): Lou Rakin, wartime columnist for the army newspaper, Stars and Stripes, today urged General Dwight Eisenhower "on behalf of the average GI" to accept the draft for President.

Rakin who edited a column devoted to soldiers' complaints, made his appeal in a paid advertisement in the New York Herald Tribune'. The former sergeant paid for the ad with his own money.

CEYLON-INDIAN CONGRESS LABOUR UNION

RATNAPURA, (Ceylon) May 16 (Reuter): Mr. A. Aziz was elected President of the Ceylon-Indian Congress Labour Union.

Addressing the Seventh Annual General Meeting this afternoon he and I have unitedly tried to develop the strength of this organization which I am proud to say has genuinely looked after the interests of working people. Nine years ago when this organization was started, our position was indeed very bad. Today it is very said: "For the last eight years you much better than nine years ago.

No Hindus In East Bengal Cabinet

KARACHI, May 17 (I.P.A.)—There is no possibility of including Hindus in the East Bengal Cabinet said Khwaja Nazimuddin in reply to a query.

Khwaja said that the exodus of Hindus from Eastern Pakistan has considerably scaled down. This in contrast to Mr. Sri Prakash's statement that Hindus are continuing to leave East Bengal because of the terms "Islamic State" and "Shairat."

So far as the condition of Moslem refugees was concerned, the Khwaja said it was pitiable and his Government was doing everything possible to rehabilitate them. Ultimately, said the East Bengal Premier, there was a plan afoot to settle the refugees permanently on land.

TERRORISM IN GREECE CONDEMNED

SCARBOROUGH, May 16 (Reuter)—The National Executive of the British Labour Party meeting here tonight on eve of the Labour Party Conference issued an announcement condemning all forms of terrorism perpetrated in Greece, ranging from political assassinations and the shooting of hostages by the guerillas to wholesale executions by the Government.

The executive also decided to expel Mr. Alfred Edwards, Labour Member of Parliament for Middlesborough east, who has made outspoken comments on the Labour Government's nationalisation policy.

PAY CUT PROPOSALS 'RIDICULOUS'

U.S.T.U. Leaders Condemn Ford Company's Wage-Cuts

DETROIT, May 16, (UPA): CIO United Auto Workers' Union leaders and the rank and file of members today called, the Ford Motor company proposal to its workers to accept wage cuts instead of increases as "ridiculous" and "two-faced".

John S. Bugas, Ford vice-president and director of industrial relations, unexpectedly answered the union's May 3 demand for a 30-cent per hour pay raise for Ford workers. Ford asked its 108,000 workers to the elimination of the substantial wage differential between Ford and its major competitors.

Generally speaking, Ford workers are paid an average of 10 cents an hour more than employees of other big auto producers.

One Ford worker, who asked that his name be withheld, said "it sounds two-faced to me. They are raising the prices of their cars and at the same time asking us to take a cut. It doesn't make sense."

Ken Bannon, United Auto Workers Ford director, said he had been ordered to inform Bugas by letter on behalf of the Ford workers that his proposals were "unreasonable, ridiculous, inimical to the welfare of his employes and the community, and totally unacceptable."

Thomas Thompson, President of the largest UAW Ford local, which represents 65,000 workers, said "from where I see it, Wall Street has completed its long conquest of the Ford empire.

ATTACK AGAINST GREEK GUERILLAS

ATHENS, May 17 (Reuter)—Greek forces are intensifying their attacks on guerillas in the Peloponnese, Grece's southern Peninsula, the Greek General Staff announced last night.

A platoon of the Greek National Guard fell into an ambush in this region and lost five killed and 11 missing.

PRINCESS ELIZABETH

PARIS, May 16 (Reuter)—Princess Elizabeth of England and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, visited a Paris night club tonight.

They shared the entertainment with 80 specially invited guests, the general public having been excluded.

ANTI-CRIME CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED IN LONDON

LONDON, (I. P. S.): An anti-crime campaign has been undertaken by the Scotland Yard. To intensify the drive, Scotland Yard detectives are being moved from "crime free areas" of London to the "black spots." They will be provided with more and better "999" cars.

LIGHT ON THE SCENE

WARSAW, (Reuter) : Polish authorities hope the theft of electric bulbs from public institutions and trains will diminish now that the acute shortage is to be alleviated by the opening of a bulb factory in Warsaw.

Bulbs made in this factory will be filled with argon gas which it is stated, gives better illumination and consumes less electric current.

DEVADAS GANDHI LEAVES FOR LONDON

KARACHI, May 17, (API): Mr. Devadas Gandhi, Managing Editor of the Hindustan Times and member of the Indian and Eastern Newspaper Society's delegation to London, accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Lakshmi Gandhi, left Karachi this morning by a BOAC flying boat for London.

LONDON, (I. P. S.): With a view to explain the British housewives' queries on the country's economic plight a "Touring Brain Trust" is being planned by the British Government.

West Bengal Jamiat Conference

Endorses Decision Of Central Body

CALCUTTA, May 17 (API)—The decision of the central Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind that the Jamait should no longer function as a political body, but should direct its activities to the religious, social, educational and cultural development of the Muslims of the Indian Union, was endorsed by the West Bengal Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind conference, held last evening in Calcutta. Maulana Syed Hossain Ahmed Madani, President of the All-India Jamiat, presided.

The resolution adopted by the conference added that it proposed to work out its programme according to the directions given by the central Jamiat.

The conference congratulated the Indian Union Parliament on its adoption of a purely democratic principle for laying the foundation of a strong and independent state. On the question of a state language, it urged the Indian Union Government to act in accordance with the principles laid down by Mahatma Gandhi and the Indian National Congress and requested them to state clearly that the state language would be Hindusthani and that it might be written both in Urdu and Devnagri scripts.

The Governor of West Bengal, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, in a message to the conference offered it his best wishes, and hoped that everything would be done to contribute to amity and concord and make the work of the Government of India lighter than it was today.

Messages were also received from Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Sheikh Abdulla, Mr. Asaf Ali and others.

BENGALI SPEAKING AREAS IN BIHAR

Sarat Bose Calls People To Support Amalgamation

CALCUTTA, May 17 (API): Presiding over a public meeting called by the Socialist Republican Party last evening Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose said that if West Bengal was to survive then the Bengali-speaking areas of Bihar must be amalgamated with it.

There was no reason whatsoever why such ligitimate demand of West Bengal should not be met. The Congress was committed to the principle of reconstitution of provinces on a linguistic basis.

Mr. Bose adversely commented on the "silence" of the Congress leaders of West Bengal on the issue. He wanted to know what the Premier, Dr. B. C. Roy and the President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee, Mr. Surendra Mohan Ghosh had to say on it. Mr. Bose called upon the people of West Bengal to support the movement.

PRIVATE AIR SERVICES IN INDIA

Calcutta Marwaris' Deputation To Kidwai

CALCUTTA, May 17, (API): India's Communications Minister, Mr. Rafi Ahmed Kidwai, who is now in Calcutta, received a deputation on behalf of the Marwari Chamber of Commerce, today when matters relating to the working of the posts and telegraphs department and the air services in India were discussed.

The members of the Chamber's Committee, it is learnt, urged the Communications Minister to take up a short-term plan for the improvement of telephone services. They also emphasised the need for encouraging private enterprise for running air services in India, if necessary with a certain amount of Government control.

S. V. GHATE ARRESTED

Mr. S. V. Ghate, a "wanted" member of the Communist Party of India, was arrested near the Dockyard Railway Station yesterday.

Dr. Joshi, a practicing dentist of Ville Parle, was also arrested, for harbouring Mr. Ghate at his residence.

The first arrest was under the Public Security Measures Act.

Madras To Mobilise Public Opinion Against Reds

MADRAS May 17 (IPA)—The Government of Madras will shortly adopt measures to counter the subversive activities of Communists in the Province, Indian Press Association understands from official sources.

Among the proposals, mobilization of public opinion against such activities through suitable non-officials will be made. By this the Government hopes to keep the public fully informed of the amelidrative measures through the press and radio.

The official told Indian Press Association that Government were aware of Communist activities spreading throughout the Province and he hopes the people will fully co-operate with officials in informing of activities.

BEZWADA SCAVENGERS STRIKE WORK

BEZWADA, May 17 (API): About 600 scavengers of the Bezwada Municipality struck work this morning as a protest against the arrest of L. V. Ratnam, Secretary of the Provincial Municipal Scavengers' Association.

A large number of scavengers took out a procession from the scavengers' colony, but they dispersed immediately on the arrival of a Police Inspector and the Sub-Divisional Magistrate of Bezwada. Police pickets are posted in the affected areas.

The police arrested 7 Communists who are alleged to have assaulted one of their party members who gave information to the police leading to the arrest of V. Ratnam yesterday.

COSMIC RESEARCH IN ANTARCTIC

CANBERRA, May 12 (By Cable) : Australian scientists have begun cosmic ray research at Heard Island, on the fringe of the Antarctic Continent.

This was revealed in a message received here from the leader of the Australian National Antarctic Research Expedition's party at Atlas Cove.

This and other scientific investigations being made by the party has been possible only after months of patient work modifying equipment prepared at Melbourne University.

Physicists engaged in the cosmic ray research will also investigate the ozone content of the atmosphere in the Antarctic regions.

Extensive meteorological investigations have been made since the party landed at Heard Island, and since March 27th six feet diameter hydrogen-filled balloons carrying Australian-built radiosonds transmitters have daily been sent to a hight of 60.000 feet, from where they relay information of the water vapour content, temperature and structure of the stratosphere back to the meteorological office.

These flights have been an outstanding success and have contributed greatly to meteorological science.

The data collected already enables scientists to make a much more extensive study of the exchange of polar and tropical air masses in these latitudes and the activity of the Indian-Polar weather front and the vigorous cyclones which form between latitude 60 deg. S. and the Antarctic continent.

Further Rise In Wholesale Prices

NEW DELHI, May 16 (A.P.I.) : Wholesale prices in India, as measured by the Economic Adviser's index, advanced further by 1.2 per cent during the week ended April 24, 1948 and the index which stood at 352.2 (base: year ended August 1939-100) was 2.8 per cent more than that of a month ago and 22.0 per cent higher than that of the corresponding week of last year, says a press note. The average for April 1948 worked out to 348.0 as compared with 340.7 for the previous month and 289.6 for April 1947.

CLOTH SHOULD BE CHEAPER, SAYS RAJEN BABU

AHMEDABAD, May 17 (API)—Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President, passed through Ahmedabad this morning by air on his way to Sirohi to inaugurate the Praja Parishad session there.

On being apprised of the rise in the prices of cloth since the adoption of decontrol he remarked. "Cloth should cheaper."

PAKISTAN'S CAMPAIGN FOR HANDSPUN CLOTH

KARACHI, May 16, (API): A public meeting under the auspices of the provisional central body of the Pakistan's Spinners and Weavers Association will be held here on Friday, May 21 under the Presidentship of Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, Prime Minister of Pakistan.

The object of the meeting is to inaugurate a countrywide campaign for the production and use of handspun and handwoven cloth in Pakistan.

Threat Of Cholera In East Punjab

SIMLA, May 16 (A.P.I.)—All the 13 districts in the province are threatened with an outbreak of cholera. The East Punjab Government has empowered all Deputy Commissioners to adopt necessary measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

Post-Graduate Refresher Course In Tuberculosis

NEW DELHI, (By Mail).

The next Post-Graduate Refresher Course in Tuberculosis under the auspices of the Tuberculosis Association of India, will, it is understood, be held in Mysore in the latter half of July next. The programme includes lectures by tuberculosis workers in Mysore and by the Technical Adviser of the Tuberculosis Association of India, and also demonstrations in and visits to some of the tuberculosis institutions in Mysore and Bangalore.

These refresher courses are organised by the Tuberculosis Association of India with a view to making the general medical practitioner become interested in the campaign against tuberculosis. The last course held in Bombay in February last was well attended. It is expected that a large number of men and women medical practitioners from all over India, whether in Government service or in private practice, will avail themselves of the opportunity now offered by Mysore.

Seven Killed In House Collapse

MUSSORIE, May 17 (API)—Seven persons were killed and 29 injured as the rest of a house collapse caused by a cyclone at Saklana, a village near Rudraprayag in Upper Garhwal. Several trees were also uprooted.

POLICE GUARD FOR WORKERS

SINGAPORE May 16 (Reuter): Two hundred Malay labourers working under police guard, were used by the Federated Malayan Government today to unload a cargo of sugar from a ship delayed by a three-week-old strike at port Swettenham, Malaya's main port.

KARACHI, May 16 (A.P.I.) : Nawab Doctor Sir Mohammed Habibullah ex-Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council died here yesterday. He was also Diwan of Travancore State for sometime.

CEYLON WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Demands For Higher Pay And Better Working Conditions

RATNAPURA, (Ceylon) May 16 (Reuter): At the Mather Mahanadu Women's Conference) which met here this morning at Gandhi Nagar, Mrs. Ayesha Raugg, Principal, Colombo Muslim Girls College, presiding Mrs. Edith Ludowyk—Gyomroi, Member of Aikya Mather Sangham (United Women's Front), said:—

"We resent conditions under which women workers in Ceylon live. We will do everything to raise them to higher standards."

She exhorted women workers to join the trade unions.

Mr. R. T. Chari Secretary to Mr V. V. Giri, Indian High Commissioner told to educate themselves and to demand better housing conditions

The Mathar Mahanadu unanimously passed resolutions demanding less working hours, higher pay—if not equal wages with men, maternity homes to be established in all estates and reduction from 150 working days to 100 in order to entitle mothers to maternity benefits.

Aziz Elected President Of C. I. C. Labour Union

RATNAPURA (Ceylon) May 16 (Reuter): Mr. A. Aziz was elected President of the Ceylon—Indian Congress Labour Union

Addressing the seventh annual general meeting this afternoon Mr. Aziz said that the labour union had secured certain rights and leave privileges and increase in wages according to the cost of living index. When the union came into being, maternity allowance was Rs. 21 but today it had doubled and they would continue to fight for more.

"During the war years when we demanded a revision of wages, employers refused it on grounds that they were unable to meet high wage demand as sufficient profit was not realizable. Today tea is selling at Rs. 2 a pound yet they continue to give the same wages as when the price of tea was much lower. "

GOVERNMENT'S FAILURE TO CHECK RISING PRICES

Considerable Disquiet Among People In U. P.

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, May 17.

There is considerable disquiet among people in these provinces on account of Government's failure to check the rising prices of commodities. With total decontrol, prices of wheat, rice, gram, barley, etc., have considerably shot up.

Wheat which was selling at 2 1/4 seers per rupee is now sold one seer eight chhataks per rupee. Mustard oil and cocoanut oil have gone up Rs 2-4 and Rs. 2-12 respectively from Rs. 1-6 and Rs. 1-8.

CHAOS IN MARKETS

There is absolute chaos in markets and prices keep oscillating as manipulated by dealers. While the cloth situation is deteriorating everyday the soaring prices of commodities have accentuated the misery of the people all round. People, except the rich few, are wondering where these soaring and uncontrolled prices will lead them. Government has signally failed to meet the cloth or food situation and manipulaters seem to have the upperhand. There is the complaint about transport facilities also. The common man is completely baffled at Government's inability to solve the problem of transport and deal with cloth millowners, profiteers and middlemen. One cry on the lips of many people heard in markets is how long, oh how long, will this last?

"RELIEF SHOPS" IN KARWAR

Distribution Centres Of Govt. Foodgrains

KARWAR May 15, (API): With a view to ensuring an equitable distribution of Government food-grains in the district about 16 distribution centres under the name of "relief shops" are proposed to be opened shortly in the five towns of the Karwar district.

Arrangements for the distribution of food-grains in the rural areas will also be planned soon, it is learnt.

Food-grain cards will be issued only to those whose income is below Rs. 100/- per month thus making available food-grains at a cheap rate.

KARACHI, May 16 (A.P.I.) : The Government of Pakistan in a Press note today announced the appointment of Mr. Gazanafar Ali Khan as Pakistan's Ambassador to Iran.

URS CELEBRATIONS IN AJMER

Atmosphere Of Cordiality Prevailed

AJMER, May 17 (API)—The Urs celebrations at the Durgah of Khawjasaheb ended this afternoon after prayers. Nearly ten thousand Muslim pilgrims attended the Urs. Many hundred Hindus also visited the Durgah and paid homage to the celebrated shrine.

Vinoba Bhave who stayed here during the Urs visited the Durgah Shareef a number of times and on Friday last addressed the pilgrims and local Muslims and spoke on the greatness of Islam, its implications and its teachings of tolerance. Later he addressed his prayed meeting which was attended by Hindus and Muslims. There was an atmosphere of cordiality during the Urs.

Mr. Bhave has left for Godhra.

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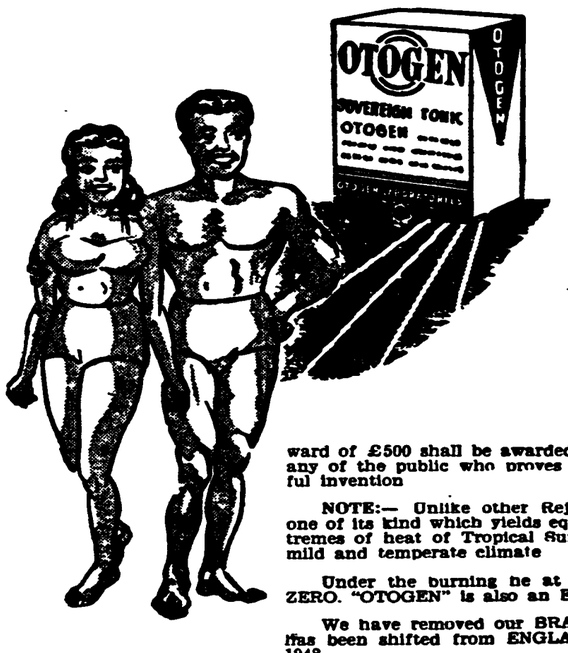

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SPOT HOUSES COVER SALES IN COTTON MARKET

PROFESSIONAL BULL OPERATORS UNLOAD HEAVILY SILVER HOLDINGS

BOMBAY, May 17.

Quietly steady conditions prevailed at the opening of the week's business at the Bombay Stock Exchange today. With small price movements, there was a moderate turnover, both sides awaiting future developments on the Hyderabad political front. There was slightly improved support at low levels which helped to keep the market steady. Trading on the whole was featureless, operators preferring to adopt a wait and watch policy.

Tata Steel Deferred opened around Rs. 1687 and advanced upto Rs. 1705 under moderate support. Thereafter under lack of further incentive Deferred reacted to its opening level, after hovering around which for a long time it further declined to Rs. 1667/8. Ordinaries opened at Rs. 334 and after rising upto Rs. 336 steadily declined and were quiet around Rs. 331-8. Indian Irons were done at Rs. 30-10, and Bengal Steel at Rs. 24-12.

The Textile section was fairly steady in the initial stage. Bombay Dyeing opening around Rs. 1137-8 advanced upto Rs. 1142-8, and kept up that level for a considerable time. Thereafter in the middle of the session, prices suffered a slight setback owing to profit-taking by short-term dealers with the result that Dyeing declined to Rs. 1125. Kohinoor, Nagpur, Simplex and Swadeshi were quiet around Rs. 654, Rs. 329, Rs. 236 and Rs. 667 after advancing upto Rs. 664 Rs. 333, Rs. 241 and Rs. 675 respectively at the commencement of the session.

Banks, Insurance and other Miscellaneous shares were quietly steady. Scindias were quoted at Rs. 28-4 and P. Construction at Rs. 231 Central Bank stood at Rs. 84.

Securities were steady with 3 per cent Conversion Loan being placed at Rs. 99-2-6.

MILL SHARES

Bombay Dyeing 1126/4 Kohinoor 655 Swadeshi 667 Nagpur 329 Simplex 237 New Great 187 Gokak X.D. 330 Indore 528/8 Century 520 Colaba X.R. 190 Bleaching 167 Swan 366 Finlay 343 Morarji 522 8 Edward 637/8 Meyer 170 Apollo 4/1 I.U. Ordinary 15/8 6 I.U. Defd. 2/11.6 Madhusudan 254 Poddar 202/8 Khatau 275.

STEEL

Tata Steel Ord 330.8 Tata Steel Defd 1667.8 second 136/12.

CEMENTS

Associated Merger 177/8.

INDUSTRIES

Burma 442/8 Belapur 342 Shivrajpur 37 Scindia 28 Construction 231/8 Tata Chemical 15.14 Tata Oil 56/12 Indian Iron 30 Bengal 24 8.

ELECTRICS

Tata Hydro 153-8 Andhra X.D. 1377/8 Tata Power 1485

MILLS (CASH)

Elphinstone 91 Phoenix 457/8 Ind. Mfg. 4220 Kooria 300 Dawn 1545 David 150 New City 225 Minerva 210/10 Bradbury 680 Bharucha (Defd) 5/12 Bharat 45/8 Mysore 230/10 Madhavji 15.14 Model 200 Laxmi 810 Vishnu 307/8 Western 4060 Standard 575 Sholapur 5950 Sassoon Cotton 19 Hindustan 4300 Tata 77-8 Ahmedabad Advance 276-4 Sassoon Silk 85 New Union 16 Madhusudan B. 47 Shrinivas 237/8 Raja Bahadur 125 Berar 265 Victoria 225 D

ELECTRIC SHARES (CASH)

Ahmedabad 116/4 New 112/8 Surat 143/12 Karachi 118/12 Broach 10/6 Ajmer 10/12 Amalgamated 15.8 Nagpur 53/8 Poona 150 Bombay Suburban 150 Bombay Suburban New 131/4

BANK SHARES

Reserve 111/12 Imperial 1997.8 P.P 493/12 Central 83.8 New 86 India 223 Union 9/7 Baroda 153 Habib 152 Dena Bank 50 United Commercial 62/12 Jaipur 51 Hindustan Com. 34 Mysore 365 Exchange (Ord) 50 Eastern 105.

INSURANCE

Oriental 5150 Empire 760 New India 69/4 Jupiter 31 Vulcan 13.4 Indian Mercantile 47 Universal Fire 11/4 British India General 23/1 Prud. 29 Neptune 7 New Great 25 All-india General 21

RAILWAY SHARES (CASH)

C. P. 110/12. Mymensingh 95 Mymensingh guaranteed 100. Pachora 107.

MISCELLANEOUS (CASH)

Alcock 337/6 Steamer 547/8 Burma New 150 Burma Petrol 2/13 Mackenzie 90, Port Canning 69-8, Kemp 480, Kemp (New) 465 Zandu Pharmacy 180 Ind. Investment Trust 98/8 Wimco 293/12 Dharamsy Chemical 36-8, Mukund Iron 10. Dena Trust 19-4. Alembic 257-8, Supreme India 130, Jam wire 108 Bombay Uganda 74, Bombay Motor Cycle 42, Indian Cement 33. Walchand Nagar Industries 215 United Motor

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES

BOMBAY, May 17

MILLS.

Apollo 4/1/6 4/1
Bharucha (Defd.d 5/8 5/12
B. Dyeing 1137/8 42/8 22/8 30 26/4
C. India 333 28 29
C. India (Pref.) 632/8
Elphinstone (Ord) 91
Finlay 342 41 42
Gokak 332 30 31 29/8 30
I. U. (Defd.) 2/12 2/11/6 2/12 2/11/6
I. U. (Ord.) 15/6 15/9 15/8/6
Indore 537/8 28/12
Kohinoor 660 64 51 56 55
Madhavji (Defd.) 16 15/14
Model 200
New Great 187 88 87
Podar 202/8
Simplex 239 41 36 38 37
Swadeshi 670 75 65 68 67
Vishnu 307/8

BANKS.

Baroda 151/12 58
Central 85 83/8 84 83/4 83/8
Imperial Old 2000 1997/8
Imperial (New) 293/12 90
India 225 23
Reserve 111/12
Union 9/7
U. Commercial 62/12

INSURANCE.

Ahmedabad 115 16/4
Andhra Valley 1380 82/8 77/8
Ajmer 10/13 10/12
Power 1482/8 85
Empire 660
New India 69/12 69 69/4

STEAMER.

Scindia 28/4 26/8 27/14 28/2 28

STEEL.

B. Steel 24/14 24/8
I. Iron 30/12 30
Tata (Defd.) 1687/8 1705 1667/8 77/8 67/8
Tata (Ord.) 334 36 30/8 32 30/8
Tata (1st. Pref.) 191/5
Tata (IInd Pref.) 137/4 36/12 37 36/12

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 340 37/8
A. C. C. (Old) 172 72/8 70/4 70/8
A. C. C. (New) 108 9 8
Belapur 344 44/8 41/8 43 42
B. B. (Old) 447/8 48/12 40 42/8
B. B. (New) 150
B. B. Petrol 2/13
I. Bleaching 167
I. I. Trust 98 98/8
P. Const. 231 34/8 29/8 31/8
P. Const. (IInd Pref.) 126/4
Shivrajpur 36/4 37
Tata Chem. 16 15/14
Tata Oil 56/4 56/12
Wimco 293/12 96/4 93/12

SPECIAL

Mymensingh Bhayrab Rebate 95.

74 A.C.C. New 108 Bombay Safe Deposit 910, Hydary Construction 16. Mohmadi Steam 100-8. Gujarat Motor 25-2, Sardar Carbolic 750, Harvey Press 310, Estrella Batteries 51, Prince of Wales 610. Manmad Press 120.

PREFERENCE SHARES

Tata Steel 1st Pref. 191/4 Andhra Valley 1207-8 Tata Power 1305 Hydro 123-12 Bombay Steamer 307-8 Nagpur 632.8 Swadeshi 146/4 Vishnu 850 Luxmi 30/-8 New Great 222-8 Podar 115 Shrinivas 98 Elphinstone 120 Bradbury 385 Surat Elec. 130 Pre. Construction (1st.) 126-4, 2nd 126/4 Amalgamated 123/8 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 125-10 Walchandnagar 250 Jupiter 19-14 Supreme 120 Meyer 121-4 McKenzie (1st.) 127-8 2nd 125 Ahmedabad Advance 132 Mysore Mill 50 Standard 101 Madhusudan 12.

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 102-12. Bombay Steamer (1959) 104-8, Indian Hume Pipe 111, Tata Power (1951) 103. Walchand Nagar 117.

OUTSIDERS

Indian Copper 2/10/6 B.I.C. 8/10 Burma Corporation 4/3 New Victoria Mill. 5 New Victoria Mill Preference 6 Phalton 132 Gold Mohur 325 New Kaiser-I-Hind 375 Sajjan Mill 250 Osmanshani 230 Ajamshahi 240 Air Service 11 Ambica 16 Air India 150 Hind Motor 6/7 India Steam 12/13.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, May 17.

Tata Ordinary 331; Tata Deferred 1670; Indian Iron 30/2; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 24/10; Bombay Dyeing 1127/8; Central India 329; Gokak 330; Kohinoor 655; Simplex 238; Swedeshi 667; Tata Power 1485; Associated Cement 171; Belapur 342; Bombay Burma (Old) 450; Scindia 28/2; Central Bank 84; New India 69/8; Tata 2nd Pref. 137.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, May 17.

		Rs.	as.	p.
2-1/2 p.c. 1954		98	12	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1950		101	2	0
2-1/2 p.c.		97	3	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1948-52		100	4	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1960		100	0	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1962		100	2	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1976		98	14	0
3 p.c. non-Terminable		99	1	0
3 p.c 1966 Con.		99	2	0
3 p.c 1949-52		101	7	0
3 p.c. 1951-54		102	3	0
3 p.c. 1953-56		102	10	0
3 p.c. 1957		101	13	0
3 p.c. 1959-61		101	11	0
3 p.c. 1970-75		99	15	0
3-1/2 p.c. 1954-59		101	8	0
4 p.c. 1945-52		101	10	0
4 p.c. 1960-70		111	5	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67		105	0	0
3-1/2 p.c. 1955-69		113	0	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67		116	0	0

PROVINCIAL LOANS.

2-3/4 p.c. U. P. 1961		98	0	0
2-3/4 p.c. Madras 1961.		98	0	0
3 p.c Bombay 1955		101	12	0
3 p.c. Bombay 958		101	10	0
4 p.c. Punjab 1940		98	14	0
3 p.c. Madras 1952-53		100	6	0
3 p.c. Punjab 1952		98	4	0
3 p.c U. P. 1952		100	6	0
3 p.c. C. P. 1952		100	6	0
4 p.c. N.-W. F. 1952		99	10	0
4 p.c. C. P. 1961-66		100	0	0
3 p.c. Bombay Port Trust		111	0	0
4 p.c. Bombay Municipality City		111	0	0
4 p.c. Bombay Municipality 1959		116	0	0
6 p.c. Municipality 1954		118	0	0
3-1/4 p.c. New Municipal 1977		101	0	0
6 p.c K. P T.		110	0	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, May 17.

The cotton market was fairly steady with scattered support but in view of professional unloading, the market outlook is easy. There was restricted business and prices fluctuated within a narrow range during the early part of the session.

At the opening July was quoted at Rs. 754 and improved at Rs 755 Thereafter there was scattered selling and July was quoted at Rs. 753.

The market improved at Rs. 768 but reacted on realising and closed at 4-30 p.m. as under:—

		Rs.	as.	p.
I.C.C. May		750	0	0
I.C.C. Sept.		760	0	0
I.C.C. Sept.		768	8	0

FLUCTUATIONS IN JULY

Opening Rs. 754, 753, 755, 751. 765, 760. 768, 760 Last transaction Rs. 760-8.

Cotton Forecast

WASHINGTON, May 16. (U. P. A.): The Department of Agriculture today pdedicted that the world cotton production for 1947/1948 crop year would amount to 25,390,000 bales of which 3,450,000 would be Indian and 2,513,000 bales from Pakistan.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES

BOMBAY, May 15

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing at 2 p.m.
May	764	732-1/2	732-1/2
July	772	745-1/2	745-1/2
Sept	780	754	754-1/2

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian Cotton July Contract is 899 cent points below New York July at Exchange rate 331.

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, May 17.

The produce market was fairly steady with moderate business passing. Castorseed, September delivery opened at Rs. 147/12 and declined at Rs. 147/1 on moderate selling but under renewed buying the market rallied at Rs. 147/12. May delivery was quoted at Rs 141 with little business. Groundnuts and Linseed were quietly steady with restricted business. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Khandesh quality	35	4	0
Coromandal ready	34	12	0
Bold ready	34	8	0
April-May	33	12	0
June-July	33	7	0
CASTORSEEDS:—			
Ready	31	8	0
May delivery	140	12	0
September	147	2	0
LINSEEDS:—			
Ready	27	14	0
April-May	28	0	0
July	28	0	0
OILS:—			
Groundnut ready	19	1	0
Groundnut May	19	2	0
Groundnut July	19	5	0
Linseed Oil	16	12	0
Castorseed First Pressing.	20	2	0
Castorseed Commercial quality	18	4	0

Italian Art-Silk Yarn

BOMBAY, May 17.

120 D. Ready	10	0	0
150 D. Ready	9	4	0
150 D. May	7	2	0
150 D. June	6	9	6
20/22 Yellow Silk	22	0	0
20/22 Yellow Silk June	22	4	0

Pepper Prices

BOMBAY, May 17.

Vaishakh dely 861 to 864
Jeth dely. 881 to 884

Metal Market

BOMBAY, May 17.

Tin Jeth dely.	62	0	0
Copper Jeth dely.	93	12	0

Hessian Market

BOMBAY, May 17.

45X11

	Pics.
Ready	112 1/2
April-June	114
July-Sept.	112 1/2

D.W. 40X28

Ready	112	8	0
April-June	110	8	0
July-Sept.	105	8	0

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, May 17.

The local bullion market was easy today on increased long liquidation by professional operators. Demand in the spot market has also disappeared.

At the opening forward silver was quoted at Rs. 176-8 and declined at Rs. 174-8 on increased selling pressure. Thereafter there was scattered covering and the market steadied at Rs 174-12. Ready silver was quoted at Rs. 174-9.

Forward gold opened at Rs. 117-6 and declined at Rs. 116-12 on long liquidation. Ready gold was quoted at Rs. 116-11. Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 74-12.

There was heavy unloading in Silver by professional bulls and it was said that 1,500 Silver bars were sold which depressed the market at Rs. 173 8 Closing quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready Silver	172	8	0
Forward Silver	172	8	0
Ready Gold	116	0	0
Forward Gold	116	2	0

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, May 17.

B C Rates I I D D I 5 15/16 Ready
B C Rate, I I D D 15 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling I I D D 15 31 32 Ready
London Banks Selling I I D D 15 15/16 up to 6 Months
London Banks Buying I I 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month
London Banks Buying I I 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1 32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1 8 7th and 8th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 7th and 9th Month
New York and Montreal B C Rates I I Rs 332 1/4
Banks Selling T I D D Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Buying I I Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 6400
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs 6560
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79
Belgium Banks Selling I T L D Fcs 1305
Java Banks Selling I I D D—79
Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T I D D Rs. 157 1/2
Manila Bank Selling T I D D Rs. 165-1/4
New York-London Cross Rate Do 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4
London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 62.57-63.43
London Alexandria (Via N.Y.) 4-3/4
London Amsterdam Fl 10.68-70
London Bangkok Dol 40
London Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4
London Denmark Kr 19.32-36
London Hongkong 1/3 1/16
London Iran Rl. 128-130
London Java Fl 10.68-70
London Lisbon Es. 99-80-100.20
London Manila Pes. 8.09-8.14
London Montreal Dol 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4
London New York Dol 4.02 3/4 4.03 1/4
London Oslo Kr. 19.98 20.02
London Paris Fcs. 863.40-864.60
London Prague K 201-202
London Singapore 2/4 7/32-1/8
London Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50
London Switzerland Fcs 17 34-36
London Syria 880-5
London Discts 3 Mos 9/16 per cent
London Discts 6 Mos 5/8 per cent
Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.
Money:—Call 1/2 per cent. 3 Mos. 3/4 per cent. 6 Mos 1 per cent 12 Mos. 1-1/2 per cent
Tone:—Easy

Bankers' Clearing

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers Clearing House during the weey ending the 4th May, 1948 were as under:—

Numbr of Cheques: 183627
Amount of Cheques: Rs. 53,95,93,000-0-0

Calicut Market

CALICUT May 17:

Coiryarn Beypore 140/150; Quilandi 145/155; Fibre Barbled 105 Nngar bled 95; Cocoanuts Raw 100/112.8 Dry 110; Cocoanutoil 455, Copra Office 300; Dilpasand 310; Madrasnottam 20; Pepper Wynaad 1030; Country 1020. Dryginger Chernad 350. Ernad 340; Coffee Robusta 145 Timber Pali 45/50; Junglewood 22/8 30; Vellapine 40/47/8; Benleak 35/40; Teak 90 100; Mango 3/13/8; Teak 10/17/8; Rosewood 12/8/20.

Sugar Market

BOMBAY, May 17.

Small grain	101	8	0
Medium grain	103	8	0
Big size	113	0	0
Raja	109	0	0
May dely	36	2	0
August dely	36	8	0

CALCUTTA SHARE BAZAR

CALCUTTA, Monday May 17.

Calcutta Stock Exchange opened steady but eased off at the close. The volume of business was moderate. The market closed early today owing to the death of a member.

Following are today's final transactions upto 1.30 p.m.:—

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: Three per cent loan 1986 99.1/6 three per cent victory 1957 101.11 three per cent loan 1959.61 101.9 three per cent loan 1970 75 99 14.

BANKS: Hindustan Commercial Bank 28/-.

COTTONS: Bowreah Ordy 450/- a lot Cawnpore Textiles 10/- kesr Kesoram 20 2 New Victoria Ordy 5 3

COALS: Bengal 530 - Central India 7 15 East Indian 33 8 equitable 39 8 Ex Divd Sendra 11/- West Jamuria 28.- Katras Jherriah 35.12 Raneegunge 20 2 Western Bengal 6 6

JUTES: Bally 302/- Budge Budge 222 - Chitavlsah 24.6 India 223/- Kanknarrah 523 - Nuddea 92/- Presidency 7 - Barnagoe 306/- Champdany 218 8 Dalhousie 358 - Kamarhatty 666/- Megna 144 - Orient 283/-.

MININGS: Burma Corpn. 4/1 Indian Copper 2 10 Karanpura dev. 36.2 Tavoy Tin 1 6.

ENGINEERINGS: Indian Iron and Steel 30 1 Jessop & Co Pref 127/- Saran Eng. 9/4 Steel Corpn 24/6.

MISSELLANEOUS: Sone valley Cement 9 3 Calcutta Electric 28/- Alluminium Corpn. 6 1 F. & C Osler 9 10 Hindustan Building 12/- Indian National Airways 7/14 Products 42 4 Jardine Henderson 168 - Martin Burn 16 8 National Insulated Cale 9/7 National Tobacco 34/10 Rohtas Industry 10/5 Indo Burma Petroleum 58/- Titaghur Paper 43/12 Midnapore Zemindary 99/- Assam Saws 6.15 India General Navgn 115/- India Steamship 12/15.

SUGARS: Balrampore 9-2 Carew and Co. 10/1 Champaran 27/12 Raza 15 8 C T. U. P. Sugar 13/12.

TEAS: Basmatia 29/- East Indian 19/- Ct. Hattikhira 16/6 Jutlibari 18/8 Tezpore Ordy 23/2.

MADRAS SHARE BAZAR

MADRAS, May 17. (API): Following are todays quotations in the Madras stock exchange market:—

SUGAR AND BREWERIES: Deccan 18/12; DO 50/12; Travancore 11/12; Pref. 5/1.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 6/8; Chembras 5/10; Blue Mountain 2/4/6; Coorg Teas 5/15; Devashola 18/6; High Produce 29/-; Kalpettas 23/8; Pullangode 1/7; Tirumbadi Trand T Co. 7/10; Valkundam 6/9; Waterfalls 2/13.

TEXTILE: Bangalore woollen 145 -; Buckinghams 349; DO Pref. 199/-; Cambodies 11/-; Coimbatore CM 93/8; DO Pioneer 102 Spgs. 47/12; Lakshmi 93; Maduras 42/8; Metturs 329; Radhakrishna 153/-; Ranga Vilas 51/12; Trichinopoly 12/6; vasants 101/-.

MISCELLANEOUS: Andhra Cements 66/12; B 6/4; Facts 6/8; India Cements 12/13; Mettur Chem. 8/10; Press 107/-; Mysore Chem. and Ferts 11/10; Mysore Papers 14/-; Spencer 11/2;.

Formal Signing Of Postwar Cotton Purchase Credit

NEW YORK, May 15, (UPA): Four banks today announced the formal signing of the long terminated first private post-war cotton purchase credit in the amount of $60,000,000. The credit is effective immediately on the formal signing by SCAP.

The participating banks include the Bank of America, Chase National Bank, and the National City Bank of New York.

Slight Improvement In Share Market

NEW DELHI, May 16, (API): Share market showed signs of a slight improvement during the second week of April 1948, but relapsed subsequently to their previous state of dullness, says a press note.

The index of Government securities declined further by 2.2 points to 114.3 as compared with that for the preceding month and by 3.7 points as compared with that for April 1947.

The index of fixed yield securities recorded a further fall of 5.2 points to 162.2 as compared with that for the preceding month and of 14.2 points as compared with April 1947. With the exception of cotton preference shares which remained almost stationary at 167.1, all other preference shares registered falls varying from 2.2. points in the case of sugar to 18.9 points in the case of paper.

The index of variable yield securities in the month under review declined by 7.2 points to 170-8 as compared with the preceding month and by 46.9 points as compared with the corresponding month of the preceding year. Shares registering notable declines are transit, coal, paper and iron and steel, which recorded falls of 1.9, 17.6, 31.9 and 32.8 points respectively as compared with the preceding month. All other shares, with the exception of breweries and cement, showed declines varying from 1.0 point under electricity to 9.0 points under railways Breweries on the other hand recorded a rise of 3.5 points over the preceding month while cement remained almost stationary at 216.4.

KUTCH HUNDI

BHUJ May 15

Hundi buyers 308 sellers 309. Gold 114. Silver Rs 156.

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

IMPORTS

BOMBAY, May 17.

S. S. OKHLA.

From London:—26 cases electric switches; 79 cases coalterdyes; 67 cases vaux hall Ih. B. Saloon. 600 bags ingamsi. 101 cases gas metin. 58 ctns lamp bulbs, 30 cases printing paper 348 cases writing ink. 163 pkgs moulding pads; 238 pkgs synthetic resins bdl. 84 cases writing paper, 38 bdls steel tubing; 29 wores steel pipes; 150 cases phots papers; 48 cases films; 150 coils wire red; 278 bdls blank wire shorts; 769 coils steel wire.

From Antwerp:—20000 bags sulphite of soda. 139 cases comppart of printing machinery; 47 cases cut tacks; 99 cases belgran planpipes; 80 cases panal pins; 400 coils galo anizeal panal pins; 2900 cases wire nails; 96 cases Belgiam sheet glass.

S. S. BARPETA.

From Basrah:—100 bags serdins: 201 bags dry dates;

From Karachi:—65 slabs electridytic zinc: 5615 bales cotton raw: 3421 bags goowar: 47 cases medicines

EXPORTS

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT.

400 pkgs bettle leaves—J. Pardham 150 pkgs bettle leaves—H Sankiwalla.

S. S. FIROZA.

To Karachi:—610 tins castor oil—Ebrahim and Co.; 53 bdls vegitable taned buffelow leather—Puri Bros; 100 bdls bidees—H. A. H. Noormohmed; 25 cases glass ware—L. Curtimbhai and Co; 1100 bdls bidi leaves—G. Valbhaji; 500 bdls bidi leaves—A. M. Valimohmed; 15 cases castor oil—Ebrahim and Co; 150 bags glass bottles—H. A. Habib: 10 bags ceargool—N. Alli.

S. S. FLYING CLIPPER.

To Hongkong:—40 cases assafoetida—E. Virji and Co.

To Singapore:—42 bales cotton piecegoods—C. Uttam Chand; 13 bales cotton piecegoods—J. Himatrai.

S. S. NORMAN MONARCH

To Rangoon:—89 bags dry fish—E. Suleman and Co; 38 cases aluminam ware—V. M. Mehta and Co.; 20 cases sulpharic acid—B. C. Shah and Co; 5 cases hingdo; 20 bags ajura seeds; 10 bags aseria—H. Meghji.

S. S. EMPIRE SPARTAN.

To Liverpool:—120 bales raw cotton —International Cotton Corp. Co.

S.S. BORNLO

To Singapore:—150 bdls corriander seed, 5 bdls ajma seeds, 50 bags methi seeds, 30 gottas cummin seed, 5 bdls dill seeds—I. E. Syndicate.

To Colombo:—351 bags corriander seeds—S.N.V.N. Pillai. 40 bags corriander seeds—Rajan and Co. 500 tins varnish—New Mahalaxmi Oil Mills.

To Penang:—51 bdls cummin seed and 50 bags corriander—Kailaschand.

To Portland:—100 bales cotton waste—Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd

To Losangelles:—100 bales cotton waste—Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd.

To Scattle:—200 bales cotton waste —Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd

S.S. CASTALIA

To Liverpool:—54 bales cotton piecegoods—Textile Export Ltd. 19 bales cotton piecegoods—C. Uttamchand. 100 bales cotton waste—3. M. Vyas and Co.

S.S KHOSROV

To Jeddah:—29 cases aluminumware—Jeewanlal (1929) Ltd.

To Aden:—200 bags dry ginger—C. A. Patel. 150 bags dry ginger—V. Dharsi. 150 bags dry ginger—T. Bhikabhai. 200 bags dry ginger—M. Vandravan 16 bales cotton piecegoods —V. Lalji and Sons.

To Port Sudan.—43 bales cotton piecegoods—V. Lalji and Sons.

S.S KAMPALA

To Mombassa:—10 cases castor oil—C. Ambalal. 10 cases earther jars—C. Shantilal and Co. 200 cases handi oil—The Swastic Mills Ltd. 40 bags garlic—An Exporter. 25 bales cotton piecegoods—K Kanji. 10 bags turmeric—J. Hemchand and Co 7 bales cotton piecegoods—Premchand Trading Co. 15 bales cotton piecegoods—Velji Co. 40 bales cotton piecegoods—A. Meghji

To L. Marques:—25 bdls dry fish—G. Moledin and Co.

S.S. AMBICA

To Karachi:—68 drums paint—Forbes Forbes Campbell and Co. Ltd.

S.S. BARJORA

To Karachi:—25 cases art silk piecegoods—A. A. Kadar.

To Muskat:—10 bales cotton piecegoods—V. Lalji and Sons.

To Dubai:—30 chest black tea—Rajanikant and Co.

S.S. SHIRALA

To Singapore:—100 pkgs paint—Goodlam Well Co.

S.S CITADEL VICTORY

To Baltimore:—267 bags plantego seed—B Ramsingh

BY AIR

To Karachi:—120 pkgs bettle leaves—A. Alimohamed. 400 bdls handloom cotton piecegoods—M. H. Mohmed.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

"ALFREDCLEGG" arrived from Bahrein, on May 15, with 14078 tons of Gasoline, Kerosine and white diesel oil (Caltex).

"JAYHIND" arrived from Veraval, on May 15, with 800 tons of general cargo (New Dholera).

"GAMBHIRA arrived from Calcutta on May 15 with 9110 tons of coal (M.M.).

"NUTTALLIA arrived from Samboc, on May 15 in ballast (Burmah Shell)

"AMBICA arrived from Tuticorin, on May 16, with 1100 tons of general cargo (Bahadur.)

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ss "SILVERBRIAR" Due 23rd May
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ss "SISTIANA" Due 22nd May.
FROM ROTTERDAM/ANTWERP:
ss "KANDARRA Due 20th May.
ss "ALGONAB" Due 31st May.
FROM PERSIAN GULF VIA KARACHI:
ss. BORNEO Due 23rd May.
ss "KONGSBORG" Due 27th May.
ss LUTTERKERK Due 30th June.
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ss "TOSARI Sails 24th May.
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ss "KANKARK" Sails 23rd May.
ss HOSUN MERCHANT Sails 26th May.
ss "LOMBOK Sails 28th May.
ss "ALGONAB" Sails 3rd June.
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ss SALVONA Sails 22nd May.
ss "SISTIANA" Sails 24th May.
FOR COLOMBO:
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ss "KONGSBORG" Sails 30th May.
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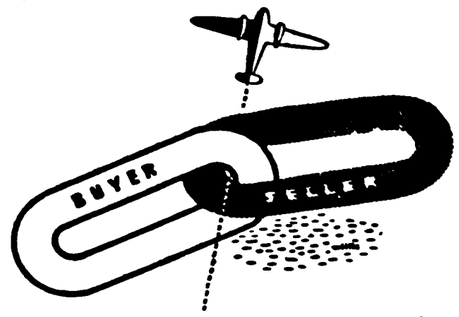

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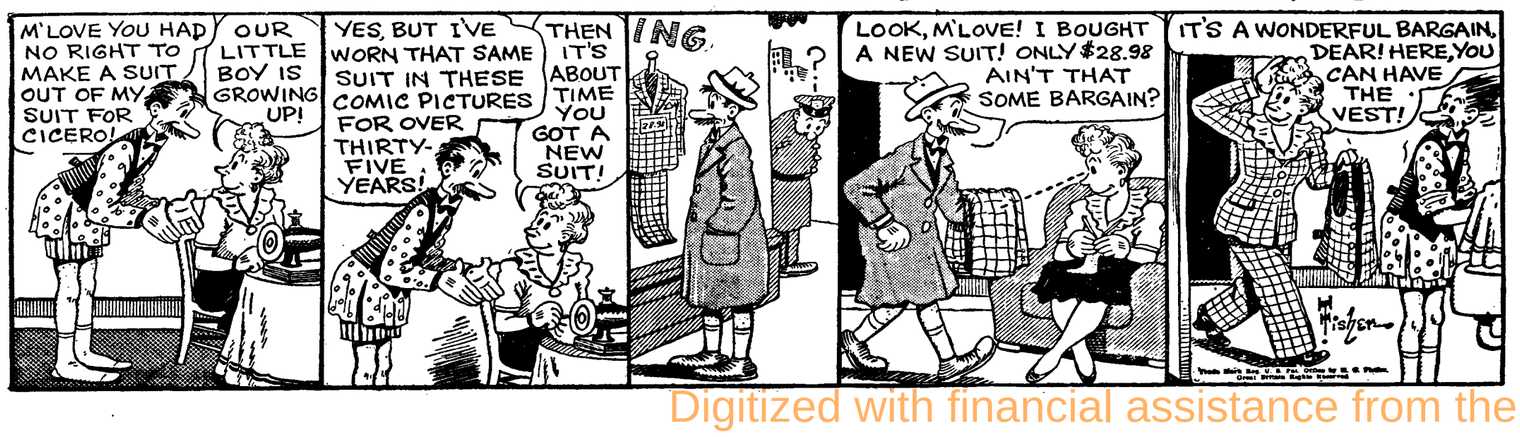
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Post Box No. 1514, BOMBAY 1.

WE HAVE PLEASURE in announcing that we have appointed Messrs. Mohindra Electric & Cycle Stores of 56, 57 and 58. Rasta Peth, Poona City, as our sole stockists for our Viking Electric Hammermills in the North Bombay Presidency with effect from 19th April, 1948.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore & Thull Ghats, G.I.P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tender upto 16-30 hrs. on 15th June, 1948, for transporting and stacking on Railway ground, 4,70,000 Cft. of Railway rubble at miles 80 on Thull Ghats (N.E. Line).

The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be had from his Office on payment of Rs. 2/- each. This sum will not be refunded.

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS for admission to the Dow Medical College, Karachi are invited from candidates with the following qualifications:—

"B.Sc., or Intermediate Science Examination in Group B', of the University of Sind or any other University recognised by the Sind University".

Application forms for admission can be had from the Office of the undersigned, either personally or by post in which case a stamped and self addressed envelope should be sent.

Application forms duly completed in all respects and filled in, in strict conformity with the requirements laid down in the application form, should be submitted either personally or by registered post together with annas nine, in cash or by money order so as to reach this Office not later than the 30th May, 1948, Applications received after this date will not be considered.

The interviews will take place at 10 a.m. in the Office of the Principal, on the 4th and 5th June, 1948 in the case of Inter-Science candidates and on the 7th June, 1948 in the case of B.Sc., passed candidates. The final selection will be made on the 8th June, the result of admission will be announced on the 9th, and the college will re-open on the 10th June, 1948.

A. K. M. KHAN,
Lt. Colonel, I.M.S.,
Principal,
Dow Medical College, Karachi.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, I have contracted to purchase from their Owners, the 14 and 14A Carter Road Properties, with two Bungalows and with about 4500 sq. yards of compound, as per undermentioned Schedule; AND THAT all persons having any claim against or to the said properties, by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien charge, trust, or otherwise, however are required to make known forthwith in writing, to the undersigned, at this address:—Bell Building, 3rd floor, room No. 9, 19, Sir P. M. Road, Fort, P.O. Box 908, Bombay 1, within 7 days of the date hereof, otherwise the same will be completed, without further reference to such claims; and if any, shall be considered as waived.

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All that piece or parcel of land, on Non-agricultural Survey No. 387 and that of agricultural S. Nos. 273, 274, 275, 276, admeasuring about 4500 sq. yards of lands, Danda, situate at Carter Road, Bandra, South Salsette Taluka, Registration District Bombay, Greater Bombay Registration Sub-District, Bandra.

P. N. POHWAHLLA,

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TENDER NOTICE

GOVERNMENT have in stock 8 Prestcold refrigerators 15 Cu. ft. complete,—5 in Bombay and 3 at Ahmedabad, for disposal. These refrigerators are new ones but used for only a couple of months.

Tenders are invited for the purchase and removal of any or all of these refrigerators, 5 of which can be seen at the Nira Centre No. 26 situate at Saitan Chowkey, Parel, and 3 at the Chief Excise Inspector's Office at Ahmedabad.

Separate tenders may be submitted in respect of the 5 refrigerators in Bombay and the 3 at Ahmedabad.

Tenders must be accompanied by a deposit of Rs. 100/- without which no tender will be considered. The deposit will be forfeited in the event of the tenderer's failure to pay the price tendered or to remove the refrigerators after the acceptance of the tender.

The tenderers should submit their offers, on their own forms, in sealed covers, addressed to the Commissioner of Excise (Old Custom House), Bombay, and marked "Tender for Refrigerators" so as to reach this office not later than 4 p.m. on the 25th May 1948.

V. L. GIDWANI.
Commissioner of Excise.
Bombay, 17th May, 1948.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE SOUTH INDIA INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED. BOMBAY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Company's Registered Office, New India Assurance Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, on Friday the 11th June, 1948 at 4 P.M. (S.T.).

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947.
2. To declare a Dividend.
3. To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 13th June 1948 (both days inclusive).

By order of the Board,
D. H. COOPER.
Manager.

Bombay, 10th May 1948.

N.B.--The Dividend, when sanctioned at the General Meeting will be payable at the Registered Office of the Company, New India Assurance Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, on and after the 14th June, 1948, to those shareholders whose names stand in the Company's Register on the 4th June, 1948.

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THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, BOMBAY.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, New India Assurance Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, on THURSDAY, the 17th June, 1948, at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.)

(1) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947.
(2) To declare a Dividend.
(3) To elect three Directors in place of Mr. A. D. Shroff, Mr. J. R. D. Tata and Mr. M. S. Mitha, who retire by rotation but are eligible for re-election and offer themselves accordingly.
(4) To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th day of MAY to the 20th day of JUNE, 1948, (both days inclusive).

By order of the Board,
B. K. SHAH,
General Manager.

Bombay, 13th May, 1948.

N.B.—The Dividend when sanctioned at the General Meeting will be payable at the Registered Office of the Company on and after the 24th June, 1948, to those Shareholders whose names stand registered on the Company's Registers on the 24th May 1948.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS should be notified without delay.

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DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES.

Shah Jahan Road, New Delhi.

TENDER NOTICE.

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL of Industries & Supplies, New Delhi, invites tender No. SY-1/RC-2072/SR-3/VIII to reach him on or before 23-6-48 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from his office at Shah Jahan Road, New Delhi, at Rs. 7/- (Rupees seven) (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash, by Money Order or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender Number, full Name and address of the remitter) for Bolts and Nuts Galvd mushroom head of different sizes.

Stores are required for various railways and Civil Indentors.

Applicants not already on approved list of Ministry of I. & S., contractors must give their banker's reference on applications for tender forms. Firms already blacklisted by the Ministry of I. & S., are not eligible for copies of tender forms which will not be supplied to them.

Tender forms are also obtainable from the Office of the Directors of Supplies, Calcutta and Bombay, and Dy. Director of Supplies, Madras, on payment of tender fee direct to them.

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TENDERS.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

(Hydraulic Engineer's Department)

By the order of the Municipal Commissioner the Hydraulic Engineer invites tenders for the work of encasing the 57" steel mains in Sleater Road with reinforced Gunite 2" thick.

Forms obtainable from the Hydraulic Engineer's Office, Improvement Trust Building, Napier Road, Fort, Bombay at Rs. 5/- per copy, not refundable. Money order or cash only. Closing date 2nd June 1948 at 1 p.m. (Bombay Time.) (8570)

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

THE DY. GENERAL MANAGER (Grainshops), G.I.P. Railway, Bombay V.T., will receive tenders on the prescribed form upto 3 P.M. on 25-5-48 for the supply of Groundnut oil and Kardi oil at the Railway grainshops on the Poona Division. Tender documents may be obtained free of charge from the above office or from the Asstt. Controller, Grainshops, G.I.P. Railway at Poona. (8551)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a permanent post of a Lecturer in Biology in the grade of 150-50-200 (plus usual War Allowance).

Applications giving full details should reach the u/s before the 1st June, 1948. Selected candidate must be able to join service immediately.

A. G. PAWAR.
Principal,
Rajaram College.
Kolhapur.

Rajaram College,
Kolhapur 7th May, 1948.

(8509)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for a temporary post of a Lecturer in Physics in the grade of 150-5-200 (plus usual War Allowance).

Applications giving full details should reach the u/s before the 1st June, 1948. Selected candidate must be able to join service immediately.

A. G. PAWAR.
Principal.
Rajaram College.
Kolhapur.

Rajaram College,
Kolhapur 7th May, 1948.

(8509A)

BOMBAY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

SEPARATE APPLICATIONS are invited BEFORE 28-6-1948, preferably from natives of Province of Bombay and non-Muslim refugees from Pakistan, for the following posts at the B. J. Medical Colleges. Poona and Ahmedabad.---

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NOTICE

THE BOMBAY LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

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(Sd.) K. BALASUBRAHMANYAM,
Manager & Actuary.

Bombay 18-5-48.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

MY CLIENTS the MUTUAL CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING SOCIETY, having its Head Office at Burmah-Shell House, Ballard Estate, Fort, Bombay have contracted to purchase free from all encumbrances the following property from Messrs. Jamnadas Gokuldas Patel, Dulabhaji Shamji Patel, Jethalal Nanji Patel, Vasantlal Devchand Parekh and Kanaihayalal Narbheram Jani. Any person having any claim in respect of the said property either by sale, mortgage, lease, lien, agreement to sell, possession inheritance, maintenance, annuity or otherwise is requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned at his Office at Andheri within 7 days from the date hereof after which period the sale will be completed and the claim, if any, will be considered as waived.

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SHANTARAM K. RAJE,
B.A., LL.B., (Advocate for Purchasers)

Andheri,
Dated 15th May, 1948.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of a District and Sessions Judge in the Saurashtra State in the grade of Rs. 800-40-1200 p.m. The appointment will be officiating for the present. The candidate must be a Barrister or an Advocate or Pleader of at least ten years standing, or must have held a judicial office not inferior to that of a Subordinate Judge or a Judge of a Small Causes Court for at least five years. In computing the period of ten years, the period during which the candidate held a judicial office will also be included. Candidates not in State or Government Service, must not be over fortyfive years of age. Knowledge of Gujarati is essential.

Applications stating age, full particulars as to qualifications and experience must reach the undersigned not later than 30th May, 1948

REGISTRAR,
High Court of Judicature,
Saurashtra State.

Rajkot, 14th May, 1948.

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Applications stating age, nationality, qualifications, experience, together with testimonials will be received upto 28th May, 1948 by

K. K. GADHAVI, Esqr., B.A., (Hons.) T.D. (England).
Director of Public Instruction,
Junagadh State, Junagadh,
(Kathiawar).

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AUCTION SALES

In accordance with Sections 167 and 88 of the Sea Customs Act of 1878 under instruction from the Collector of Customs, Bombay, M/s. MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction on TUESDAY, the 25th May, 1948, at 11 a.m. (S.T.) at the New Custom House, Ballard Road, confiscated and unclaimed goods: wearing apparel cotton piecegoods, Jari and miscellaneous goods.

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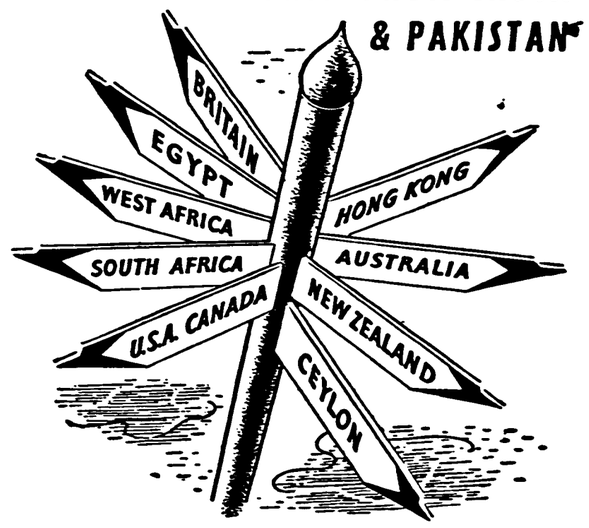

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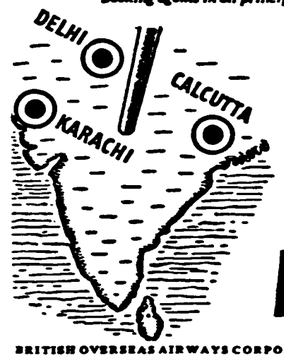

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